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HENRY O. TANNER, THE ARTIST

A DISTINGUISHSD NEGRO ARTIST ATTRACTING ATTENTION.

NO PREDJUDICE IN PARIS

His Success is An Idea of the Possibilities of the Race.

Not many Americans know that Henry O. Tanner, the distinguished artist whose paintings attract so much attention in Europe, and one of which has been hung in the Luxembourg Palace, Paris, is an American Negro. This fact I had impressed upon me during the summer of 1899, when I happened to be spending a short vacation in Paris. I had remarked to a group of American friends that I was going to Luxembourg Palace to see a painting by a young Negro artist, when they expressed astonishment and thought me much in error. Afterward they were convinced of the truthfulness of my statement, and were themselves soon on the way to see it. They were proud to claim Mr. Tanner as a fellow-countryman.

Mr. Tanner is the oldest of seven children, two sons, five daughters. His father, Rt. Rev. Benjamin Tucker Tanner, is a member of the Bishop's Council of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Henry Tanner was born at Pittsburg, Pa., June 21, 1859, and early gave promise of becoming an artist. A few fugitive drawings attracted attention and proved to his parents and friends that he possessed to a marked degree surprising talent as an artist. His first painting of importance was Narragansett Bay. The Bag-pipe Lesson, which shortly followed was bought by a wealthy Philadelphian, and occupies a place in his home.

An ambition to study at the art center of the world led Mr. Tanner to go, in January, 1891, to Paris, where he has since resided. He has struggled hard and has had many obstacles to overcome, but he has been patient and has succeeded grandly. Thousands of artists who go to Paris from all parts of the world never become known, but continue to the end unhonored, in obscurity. It is because of a knowledge of this fact that Mr. Tanner's friends are so proud of his success. Nothing has served to turn him from his great ambition. Persistent study and an ever spurring determination to succeed have had everything to do with his success. He is becomingly modest, and, though much honored and greatly praised, continues the even tenor of his way.

No color prejudice is to be met in Paris. "A man's a man for a' that and a' that." It seems quite natural, then, that Mr. Tanner should permanently remain near the scenes of his triumphs. He has achieved the honor for which every artist who goes to Paris aspires, namely, the selection of one of his paintings for exhibition in the Luxembourg Palace. During the lifetime of an artist no painting is ever hung in the palace known as the Louvre, but I confidently believe that Mr. Tanner, considering his prominence, will be accorded even this distinguished honor when he dies, an event which I trust is still far off.

The painting which hangs in the Luxembourg Palace is The Raising of Lazarus, a realistic piece of work which has attracted, and will continue to attract, the admiration of all who have seen it. Mr. Tanner possesses a deeply religious nature, and his latest and more pretentious paintings are of Biblical subjects. Among these may be mentioned his Daniel in the Lion's Den, The Jews' Wailing Place, The Flight into Egypt, and The Annunciation, a beautiful treatment of the most stupendous moment in the history of Christendom. Mr. Tanner works slowly, carefully, producing as a rule but one painting a year. He likes to get close to the scenes which he portrays and has spent two winters in the Holy Land. It was while on one of these visits that his Flight into Egypt and The Jews' Wailing Place were conceived. His rendering for the Paris Exposition was a painting entitled, Christ in the Temple.

It was a pleasure to meet and know Mr. Tanner. He is lovable of disposition and possesses warm sympathies. He is striking in appearance and would attract attention in any gathering of men. He is proud of his race, has faith in its possibilities, and is deeply conscious of the fact that he, as one of its representatives, is on trial to prove its right to be seriously considered in the world of art. I have the fullest and most complete faith in his future. He will succeed even more grandly than he has already succeeded. The high place he has already won is sure promise of what is to come.

Mr. Tanner's success as a painter is to me a prophecy of the possibilities of the Negro along the higher lines of attainment. Mr. Charles W. Chestnutt, Mr. Paul Laurence Dunbar and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, not to mention others, are also to be named in this connection. In the years to come we shall have many increasing evidences of the fact that the Negro is making his way into all lines of attainment in which other races are prominent. I make this assertion because I believe and know that my race is thoroughly capable of assimulating the higher instruction, and is, when permitted to receive the training, fitted to enter upon any of the pursuits, æsthetic or otherwise, as other men and women are. We have too many successful examples of thoroughly educated men and women who are making their way for me to entertain any belief to the contrary that could be considered a virtual indictment of the mental capacity of my race.

The future, in my opinion, is to bring us many colored men and women who will distinguish themselves in art, in science, in literature and in statesmanship. I have always contended, and now maintain, that we shall hasten the coming of such a class of men and women by laying sure the foundation of the race in agriculture, mechanics, domestic employment and other occupations that are fundamental and basic and necessary for the higher development of any race.

It is very interesting to note that the trend of educated colored men and women is more and more each year in the right direction. They are beginning to see that industrial, or material, education does not mean a limitation or cramping of the aspirations of the race. Young colored men and women are taking the highest courses in mental development, and then are using their mental strength in some line of industrial occupation. They will be all the more efficient in whatever industry they choose because of their mental strength. One of the most encouraging things I have noticed in this direction was the finding very recently of four bright young colored men in a Western college of agriculture who had before going there finished an advanced literary course. These young men are now mastering agriculture with a view of coming to the South and teaching it, or encouraging activity in it for profit. In proportion as these young men assist in laying the foundation of the race in agriculture, the time will be hastened when the Negro will begin to develop naturally and solidly along the higher walks of life.

Tuskegee, Ala.

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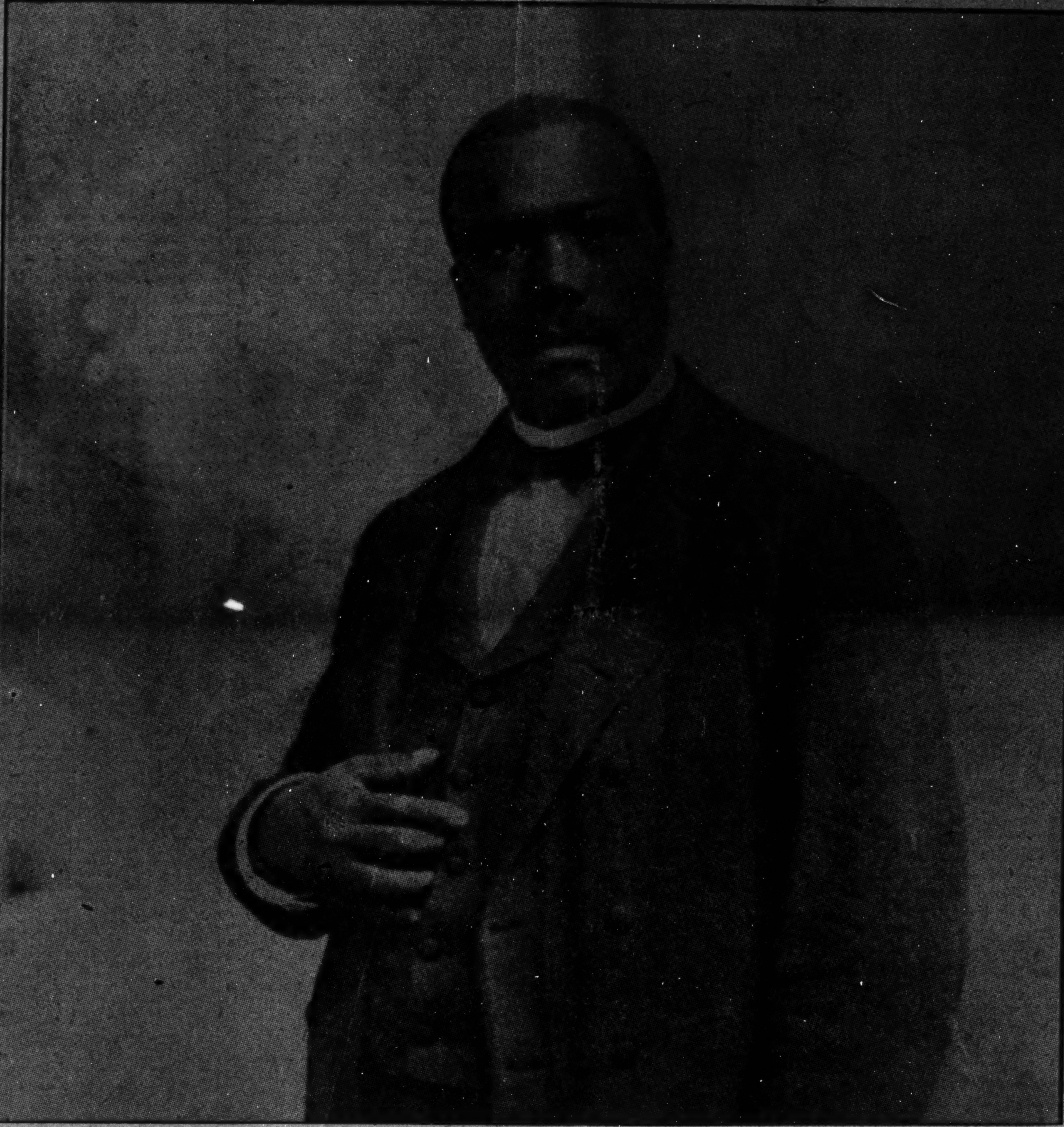


BISHOP EVANS TYREE, M D., D. D.

President of Trustee Board of Campbell College, Jackson, Miss, and Presiding Bishop of the Eighth Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Church.

Lorain News.

Lorain, O., Special.—Mrs. M. Nettie Simmons of Homestead, Penn., is in the city visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs C. R Ferguson of 112 Seventh Ave. Mr. A. W. Ward of Fifth Ave, left this week for South Bend, Ind, to spend the holidays Mr. and Mrs. John Coleman of Bronnell street are rejoicing over the advent of a new baby girl. Mr. James Smith of South Broadway narrowly escaped death last week. While attempting to cross the street car track the wheel of his wagon was caught and he was run into by the street car, his wagon was smashed to splinters and he was thrown some distance falling on his head and when picked up was found to be unconscious and is now in a serious condition Mr. and Mrs Charles Brown of the East side have moved into their new home Mrs. Mary Elders of Walnut street entertained Rev. Seymour and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hardy and Mr. and Mrs. William Triplet at dinner Xmas. day. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kidd have returned from Vermillion. Mr. George Copes of Cleveland was in the city last Sabbath the guest of his sister Mrs. Thomas Williams of Lexington Ave. The morning service at the Second M E. church last Sabbath was well attended The pastor Rev. T. T. Leggett preached. Text Eph. 3rd and 14th. One received in full membership At 7:30 the Rev. W. H Redmond conducted services. The Rev. Seymour is holding the fort at the Second Baptist church. He preached an interesting sermon last Sunday morning. Miss Frances Holt of Oberlin avenue is visiting in Wellington this week. Mrs. A S. Coleman of Elm street is on the sick list. Miss Gertrude Williams the organist of the Second M. E church was visiting in Oberlin last week Before having your pictures enlarged see N. Rainbow of Warsaw street who is doing first class work. If you want to know what your friends are doing read The Freeman, one of the greatest Negro Journals published in this country.

Scribbler—"Literature is on the decline.' Scrawler—"That's right. Everything I send to the magazines is declined".

THE HUMAN INTERROGATION POINT

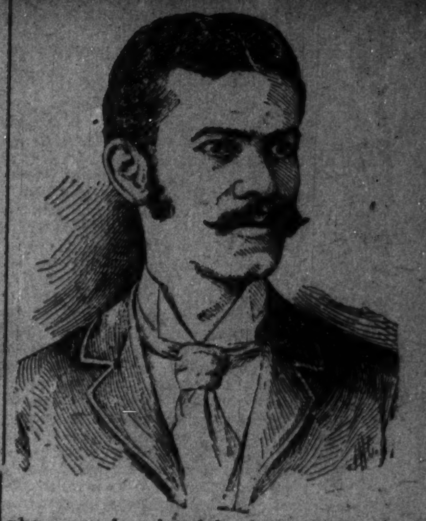
CRITICISMS OF THE ACTIONS OF OUR PRESIDENT'S.

CIVIL AND POLITICAL LOSSES

The Washington Dinner and Other Pleasant and Unpleasant Memories.

My character is not a strange one. There is nothing weird about his personality. He is not a mere creation of the mind. He is a living, active, earnest, human being—a thinker, a philosopher; an investigator; a seeker after truth. He is not a trafficker in visionary notions and erroneous ideas; but a practical man of honor and integrity—a man noted for his unfaltering rectitude, his scrupulous exactness in all his business dealings—the hallowed flame of honor beams brightly from his eyes; his ennobling influence is felt in all parts of the civilized world.

He is not a mere speculative genius, with a natural bent for mysticism and occult lore. He has never attempted to establish some new and elaborate system of cosmology. He has never given his support to the chimeras of reincarnation and kindred fallacies, or sought to solve the hidden mysteries of that subtle metaphysical hallucination given birth to by oriental theoso-



phy; nor has he delved into the vagaries of alchemy and astrology; or attempted to perform any of the feats of the thaumaturgist. And yet he is a wonder-worker. He has accomplished more with his limited opportunities than any other man of his race in his generation.

He is a practical man—a man with thoroughly modern ideas, and he employs modern methods only in the execution of his daily tasks. He is a man of great moral as well as intellectual worth. He has a theory—a very feasible theory. He believes that indifferent moral culture in any race is unfortunate. He seeks to understand men and their motives. He strives to fully comprehend the system of government under which he lives—to teach other men the theory that, in order that one man may feel secure in the enjoyment of his civil rights, he must respect the rights of other men; that the safest guide to right actions is reason; that observation, experiment, investigation and research are the surest means of progress. This man is an indefatigable worker—he analizes phenomena—seeks to know their minutest relations—appreciating the fact that much of the confusion, fallacy and sophistry of reasoning arises from a lack of the individual mind to subject itself to rigid discipline. He firmly believes in the bold proposition that a man's worth will be recognized ultimately wherever he may cance to live. He believes that ignorance is the very fountain-head of all evil—that all of our errors, vices, crimes, weaknesses of every sort, are directly due to our ignorance—that on account of ignorance we abuse our blessings and disregard what is for our best good.

He is convinced that no race is superior to his own in the ability to learn, to be truthful, to be honest, to be courageous, to be industrious, to love liberty, to be magnanimous, to be hospitable, to be unselfish—to develop all those qualities of heart and mind admired of men, and which are wont to

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Race Gleanings.

Benjamin R. Boulding of Norfolk, Va., is Past Master of Progressive Lodge No. 80, A. F. & A. Masons, Norfolk, Va., Past Chancellor. Phoenix Lodge No. 44, K. of P., Capt. Conway Co., No. 18 U. R. K. of P., and is in the U. S. Railway Mail Service and runs "Clerk in Charge" on the Southern R. R.

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The Sixth National Anti-Saloon Convention met in Washington, D. C., December 3, 4 and 5.

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H. C. Diller is the only colored member of the debating team of the University of Pennsylvania. The team is composed of four members.

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Three hundred colored people from Louisiana will soon be established in a colony of 3,000 acres in Contra Costa County California, near the San Joaquin line. They will develop the large ranch of John Herd, raising garden produce, which can be marketed by water or by the Santa Fe Railroad, which runs through the tract. The land is rich and is well irrigated, so that the colony ought to be successful. If it flourishes the managers have an option of 12,000 acres of land adjoining. The plan is to establish a Negro town, which will elect its own officers and have a church and a school of its own.

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R. C. Bruce, colored, of Indianapolis, is one of the class day officers elected by the senior class of Harvard. Bruce is the son of B. K. Bruce, now dead, who was once a Senator from Mississippi. His mother is employed at Booker T. Washington's school, at Tuskegee. His grandmother on his mother's side is Mrs. Wilson, who lives in College Avenue, this city. He has two aunts who teach in the Indianapolis public schools. Young Bruce is conceded to be one of the best orators and debaters in Harvard.

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Native scouts from Bengabon, province of Neuva Ecija, Manila, have killed the American Negro, David Fagin, a deserter from the Twenty Fourth (colored) infantry, who for more than two years has been leading Filipinos against the American troops. The native scouts decapitated their prisoner. The man's head, however, was recognized as that of Fagin. They also secured his commission in the insurgent army. Fagin had on one of his fingers the class ring of Lieutenant Frederick W. Altstaetter of the engineers, who was captured by Filipinos, supposedly under the command of Fagin himself, Oct. 28, 1900. Fagin had been reported killed on several occasions. The authorities are satisfied that former statements of his death were erroneous, and that he has now been killed.

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In the recent Civil Service examination for carriers and clerks for Atlanta post office, there were 99 whites who took the examination and 26 colored. Fourteen passed: 2 whites and 12 colored. Over 45 per cent of colored and less than 2 per cent whites passed.

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There has been launched at Ocala, a small town in Florida, a Land, Investment and Manufacturing Co-orperation, which promises to be a great success. Many of the leading Afro-Americans of the State are interested in it.

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The Negroes of Trigg are preparing to organize a banking company with $15,000 or $20,000 capital, by May 1, 1902.

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The Eleventh Annual Session of the Tuskegee Negro Conference will be held at Tuskegee, Alabama February 19th and 20th. These annual sessions are accomplishing great good in the way of influencing the Negro farmers of the South to acquire property, to get out of the one-room cabin, and to take more interest in the education of their children.

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The Review of Reviews in its December number, 1901, gives an elaborate account of statistics, showing the educational progress of the Negro since the Emancipation of the race. It says: "Of the entire body of Negro men above the age of 21 in the United States, 52 7 per cent are illiterate. Taking the Negro males in the Southern states of voting age the illiterates are 61.2 per cent in Louisiana, 59.5 in Alabama, 56 4 Georgia, 54 7 South Carolina, 53 2 Mississippi, 53 1 North Carolina, 52 5 Virginia, 49 5 Kentucky, 47 6 Tennessee, 45 1 Texas, 44 8 Arkansas, 42.7 Delaware, 40.5 Maryland, 39 4 Florida, 37 8 West Virginia.

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Booker T. Washington of The Tuskegee Institute was recently offered One thousand dollars per week for as many weeks as he would accept to lecture under the auspices of a Northern lecture bureau. Owing to the absorbing character of the work at Tuskegee, he has been compelled to decline the offer.

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increase our noble civilization. He recognizes the fact also that honesty, self-reliance, intellectual capacity and moral power are not created nor put into a race by constitutional enactments; but that it is the duty of every wise government to provide opportunity for all citizens to exercise and develop these faculties. He is a student. He studies deeply all those vital problems that are of interest to mankind. On account of his propensity for seeking to fathom the very depths of human impulses—the immediate cause of human action, he has become a veritable human interrogation point. He has become one of the grandest and noblest of men—a master logician and orator. He towers above all other men of his race for grasp and breadth of thought, altruistic sympathies, sagascity, fine executive ability, general acceptance of conditions as he finds them, optimistic faith in the future of his race and self-sacrificing zeal in its behalf. On account of his wise public utterances on vital themes the thought of a nation has been quickened; delinquincies in government have been remedied; avarice and oppression checked; and the warmest sympathy and cordial relations taken the place of sectional hostility. On account of his ever increasing thirst for knowledge, he has inured his splendid mind to the processes of combination, abstraction, and comparison; making it acute and powerful.

He is a teacher. He teaches men that the chief aim of every life is happiness—that this is attainable only by the accumulation of all desirable objects—all things that tend to satiate the longings of the human heart; that this craving after happiness is universal; that work, unceasing industry, is the only true means by which man's wants may be supplied.

This man, with all his excellent qualities of head and heart; with all his rich store of wisdom; with all his cherished hopes of future good for his people; with all his strenuous efforts to make man see the path of right and justice; with all his brilliant powers of eloquence to reach and charm men, is not a dreamer. The distinguishing prerogative of the dreamer is his power to invade fearlessly the realms of the mysterious; to choose his own ideals without any question as to whether they can be realized; to take the wings of seraphic flight; to rend the veil of the future and the unknown and to exhibit to the dimmer vision of the ordinary mortal the beautiful pictures of the approaching future. He is a firm believer in the present. He also has faith in the future. He knows that there is a better day coming for his race; he knows that a new order of things will soon prevail; that the time is not remote when the bitter prejudice and stubborn proscription that now prevails will die; that the color of a man's skin or the texture of his hair or the formation of his lips will play no part in the granting of deserved recognition. He believes that the day will soon come when all men shall enjoy equal priviliges—common rights. He is now asking the question: What is our real fault? Why are we specially and exclusively debarred? When will the gate to civil justice and protection in our rights be opened? How shall we as a people help in these matters? These are his simple, direct questions. Men in all stations of life listen to him. Rich men and poor men, young men and old men, wise men and ignorant men—all stand and give him respectful hearing—they are beginning to under-Human Interrogation Pointy -.r!tif stand him, to love him. When this the race is honored; when his appeal is heard the appeal of the race is heard. This noble, intrepid man is none other than Booker T. Washington.

THE RACE PROBLEM

AN OPINION AMONG PREJUDICED CAUCASIANS THAT IT IS A MYTH—THE NEGRO IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE EDUCATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL WORLD.

THE NEGROES ARE DIVIDED

And in Such a Condition Cannot Expect Good Results--He Has AlWays Been Loyal and Has Never Been a Tyrant or Traitor.

BY W. L. JOHNSON.

What is the "Race Problem" asks the Caucasians? They are of the opinion that it is a myth. While we admit the fact of many methods of solving existing needs of the Negro, they contend that the "Race Problem" is a thing of the past, and that they are unable to ferret out the bone of contention within the bounds of this much discussed topic.

They have beseiged me during my travels on this topic as to my opinion—whether the Negro is retrograding or is he advancing from the former stage of civilization or not.

My answer to them personally and through the press has been "yes."

Since his freedom the Negro has been working out his own destiny; he has made the most rapid strides of any race that ever lived under circumstances which he existed; he has not contended that there was any other problem than that to which he was subjected to for two centuries. Of course the middle class and thriftless Negroes whose ambition is but a blank are the ones imbueing the hue and cry within the ranks of the Caucasians. This is their motive for trying to see what is the so-called "Race Problem" and what will it take to solve it—if there is such a thing.

The Negro of to-day is an important factor in the educational and commercial world wherein he has established himself. Turned loose on a barren desert which he has since transformed into our great cities—he haspaved the way to the destiny that has shaped his end. Proof of this he has held every position in State and National affairs except the Presidency. Like the Hebrews, God intends that the Negroes, who were more severely persecuted than they—shall some day rule with a high hand in the very land where his future seems dark and dreary. The mighty sway of Ethiopia will be felt and acknowledged. In saying this I do not mean to intimate that the Negro is going to be a usurper, either in State or National affairs, but I mean to impress and at the same time convey to liberty-loving Anglo-Saxons that there is a remarkable contrast between the Negro of the past and the Negro of the present. The latter is the one to whom I refer; the Negro of the present who is competent to hold any position in State or Nationtl affairs with trust and honor as much so as Caucasians who upon many occasions have willfully violated their oaths of office, thus causing such breach to be one of misplaced confidence in a gullable populace! Show me an incident in this or any other country where the Negro has broken the confedence of office—either in a bank or public one—and I will look in terror back to think o'er the past that I have lived this life in vain. Is this "Race Problem" or not?

Within the next decade the tide of events will turn for the better or worse; a revolutionary tombstone will mark by-gone days and their records. Much of the existing bias will have been rent asunder. In a great measure there is a misunderstanding existing between the Caucasian and Negro, which has been the source of numerous unavoidable race crises. If the two races could survive on sentimental basis of manhood and womanhood in a cultured state, meanwhile saying "Peace on earth, good will to all mankind," then this existing condition will have been passed to the rear.

The prevailing belief with the Negroes is that the race is "too much devided." While this is admissible along certain lines—especially in commercial lines— it is not wholly so in every walk of life wherein the Negro is the central figure. The race is as near, if not nearer than it ever was. This is not a theory, but an actual fact, as I have viewed it from the latter day states of the Negro in the country. Notwithstanding this fact, race leaders have more or less entertained opposite views. As heaven is not reached years. Desiring to get pin money he Negro. Like a rock in early stages of its formation they will have to mold in a single bound, so is it with the themselves together by degrees.

"Blue Vein" societies, immigration schemers and the like are but relics of the past. As the Negro is beginning to become self-reliant he prefers such rot to be relegated to the background. He prefers the land of his birthplace to a semi-civilized country wherein cannibals roam at will.

The Negro has always been loyal to his government and to become subjects of another government to which he is non-suited, would certainly, in my estimation establish a "Race Problem" in Darkest Africa. The Negro has never turned tyrant or traitor and notwithstanding the persecutions which befall him in the "land of the free and the home of the brave," he is ever ready to defend with his live "The Star-Spangled Banner." He will in the face of fire and brimstone haul down the flag of the enemy and place "Old Glory" in its stead or he will report, "To God the reason why."

As progress, culture, education, military and business tact and other notable traits of the Negro are going hand in hand to-day, I would like to know in reason what is "The Race Problem." Alas! in the face of this can a civilized nation continue to tolerate fiendish mobs to slaughter a weaker nation who has and is continuing to shape the destiny of the country who so proudly boasts of "The Stars and Stripes." This is "The White Man's Burden" as well as his own race problem. Can he or will he solve it? These mobs are sinning against God and man. These howling demons who burn human beings at the stake and look on with glee—will sooner or later receive their just rewards by the same modus operandi in which they torture their victims.

Just as they mete out their so-called justice and wreak their vengence upon an innocent human—just so it will be meted out to them;—'twill be like "doing unto others as you would like others to do unto you." Although the government is powerless to check these Armenian Butcheries which have defied state and National government, the reins of lawlessness are slack and the fair hand oj fustice is paralyzed. A Negro charged with acrime—petty or heinous—whether he is guilty or not guilty—is a prey for these fiends whose false hearts and black souls make them monsters in every sense of the word. The law affords no safeguard other than a sheriff who usually has a "side tip" in advance of the coming of the vampires to get their gore. While sending troops to conquer barbarians in distant lands, they would be more effective in the mob infested regions. He also needs his missionaries in these regions in lieu of foreign countries. They would accomplish greater means in this country. It is the Negroes desire to live in peace and harmony with the Caucasians in the remotest corners of the world. They care nothing for the Caucasians' social circles. Neither does he care to mingle with them except in a business way. The many so-called outrages laid at the door of Negroes, if perpetrated, by degenerate Negroes. Nine times out of ten the accused are not guilty.

We can not afford to compare the past with the present. We must lead the progress and the future by the hand, work out their own destiny, be self-reliant, race respecting and live in harmony with the Caucasians, get money and capital as well as real estate and say the "Race Problem" is but a relic of the past.

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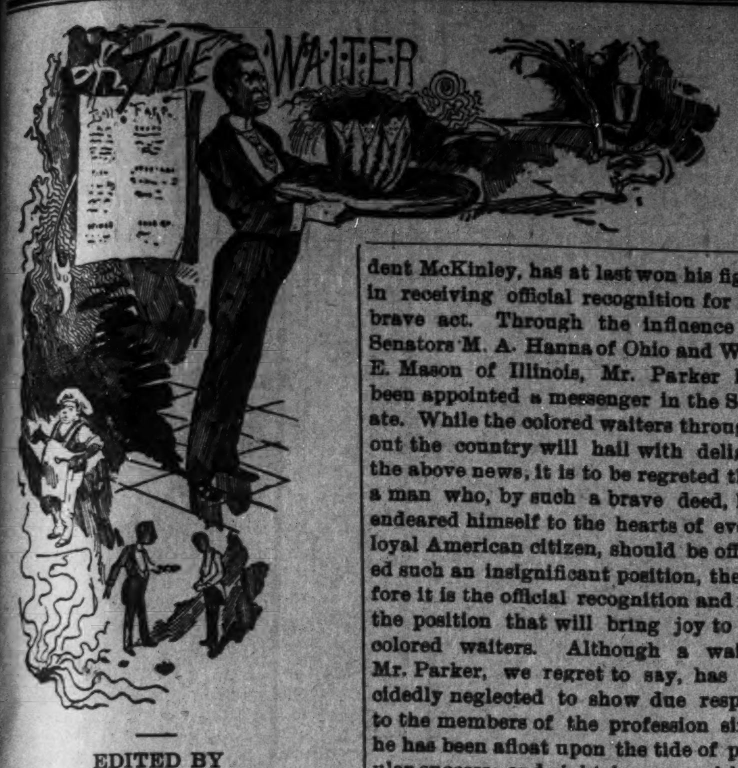

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The head and side waiters of the East and especially those of New York, Boston and Philadelphia are now preparing to go South on their annual winter season expedition. While all arrangements have not yet been finally determined the following forecast may be considered about correct. About January 1st, a special train of about 600 hotel employes of the various hotels, will leave New York via Pennsylvania Southern and S F. & W., for Jacksonville, under the general supervision of Mr. Frank P. Thompson, the headwaiter-in-chief of the East Coast Hotel system. The crew will be mostly made up in the above cities. A circular badge will be issued to each employe who has been engaged, which will admit the bearer to the train. After the special leaves the depot, the badges will be collected and each holder of the same will be given a ticket to Jacksonville, Fla. At Jacksonville the whole party is divided up into crews for such hotels as they may have been employed for, and placed under command of the headwaiters for the various hotels. All baggage will be checked at New York by a special baggageman and the checks will be retained by him until the train reaches Jacksonville at which point the checks are turned over to the various headwaiters or to a man specified by him and claim checks given to each individual same to be delivered at end of designation. So far as can be ascertain with any note of accuracy the following list of the officers of East Coast Hotel System for the season 1902. The Colonial Hotel at Nassau, Bahamas will again be presided over by that affiable headwaiter, R. N. Rush of Philadelphia, his first assistant will be A. I Woodlayn; The Victoria at Nassau will be looked after by Mr. D. A. Henry of New York, T. J. Bain a resident of the Island, will be second waiter at the Victoria and the head bell man will be T. W. Waters of Jacksonville. At the Royal Palm, Miami, Fla Mr. H. C Green of Clayville, Va., will be in charge, his second waiter will very likely be Mr. D. W. Bumery of Alexandria, Va., G. W. Boykin of Richmond, Va., head bellman Mr Fred D Allen will be in charge at Palm Beach with quite a large number of assistants and several hundred side men as that hotel is now the largest in the world. Recent addition gives it approximately a seating capacity in the main dining-room of seventeen hundred. Mr Allen is the well-known headwaiter of the West End Hotel, Long Branch, N. J, his first assistant will be Mr Joseph De Leon of Jacksonville, Fla.; second, James Gray of Washington, D. C.; third, H D McKenney, formerly of the Vendome and New Bellevue hotels of Boston, Mass; fourth, William T White of Philadelphia. At the Breakers, Mr Riley of Newark, N. J., will be in charge; D Phillips of Slater, N. Y., will be second and Charles Saunders of Philadelphia third.

The Alcazar Hotel at St. Augustine will be in charge of Mr. A. M. Thompson, with Mr. Frank Garvin as second. At the Ponce de Leon that prince of all headwaiters, Frank P Thompson, will again, for the fourteenth time, be superintendent of the dining room. This will make Mr. Thompson's 28th season at the Ponce de Leon as second and headwaiter, which attests his ability and business quality. Mr. E. B Ceruti will be second, R R. Goode, third, E. F. Cordette, fourth, Robert E Williams secretary and Wm. A. DeCato, hatman. The De Leon also employs about 350 waiters. These annual excursions have become quite a feature of the boys, and they provide themselves with all the necessaries to have a good and enjoyable time en route to Jacksonville. At Jacksonville the citizens turn out enmasse to welcome the boys. At Jacksonville a grand ball will be given the night before the boys leave for their respective hotels.

"Big Jim" Parker, the colored waiter who struck down the assassin of President McKinley, has at last won his fight in receiving official recognition for his brave act. Through the influence of Senators M. A. Hanna of Ohio and Wm. E. Mason of Illinois, Mr. Parker has been appointed a messenger in the Senate. While the colored waiters throughout the country will hail with delight the above news, it is to be regreted that a man who, by such a brave deed, has endeared himself to the hearts of every loyal American citizen, should be offered such an insignificant position, therefore it is the official recognition and not the position that will bring joy to the colored waiters. Although a waiter Mr. Parker, we regret to say, has decidedly neglected to show due respect to the members of the profession since he has been afloat upon the tide of popular success; and right here we wish to remind him that friends should never be deserted in days of prosperity nor in days of adversity.

Robert Granger of Detroit, Mich., has succeeded William Hampton as headwaiter at the Hotel Rogge, Zanesville, Ohio. Mr. Hampton resigned, and will go South to visit friends. Mr. R. Granger is a member of the headwaiters' association.

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THE NEGRO CONTROLS HALF THE BUSINESS TRANSACTED IN AMERICUS, GA.

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Also Astir in the Great Commercial Race--Facts of the Race Advancement Along These Lines as Gleaned by Our Traveling Correspondent.

Americus Ga., Special to The Freeman.

This leaves me in a state of general bewilderment. My visit to Americus has brought out facts of the Negro's advancement along commercial lines of more magnitude than my wildest hopes could have permitted me to conceive. Americus is a prosperous town of 10,000 inhabitants. It is one of the cotton centers. Equally one half of the business transacted is owned and conducted by Negroes. A list and brief resume of the more prominent enterprises follow:

J. J. Simmons, dealer in general merchandise is one of the prosperous merchants of the city. His store throughout like most of the other Negro business houses has nothing about it that in any way suggests inferiority of management or lack of business foresight. He carries a costly stock of all that comes under his line, and gives employment to two clerks.

J. W. Russell is proprietor of even a larger store than Simmons of the same character. He also conducts an excellent cafe. Mr. Russell is also a very extensive owner of real estate.

M. B. Philips is an old and favorably established factor in the mercantile life of Americus. Mr. Philips has been in business twelve years, handling general merchandise. He gives employment to six persons, possesses eight pieces of real estate, of which five are improved. Mr Philips does a general supply business, furnishing tenant farmers with provisions on annual account.

Peter Walker deals in family and fancy groceries. Walker is a very popular young man. His holiday display of toys and general Santa Claus effects was beautiful.

George Moon is the largest butcher, white or black, in the town. He manufactures two-thirds of the sausage and lard used in the entire city. Mr. Moon has acquired considerable money.

G. W. Rollins conducts a large family grocery and is doing nicely. He makes a specialty of flour and grain.

R. A. Johnson and Marshal Swearingen are doing a thriving suburban business in general groceries.

Wm. Wade is proprietor and manager of a very excellent grocery establishment, and also conducts a first class barber shop. Wade is a first class fellow and enjoys a first class patronage.

George Powell conducts a first class family grocery, carrying in stock all that goes to supply both country and city trade. He also manages a first class barber shop.

Mr. Enlie Black is perhaps one of the most popular merchants in Americus. His jovial good nature, together with strict attention to business, is bringing Enlie rapidly to the top.

Mrs. Josephine Jones is a thorough business woman, managing an extensive grocery business. The loss of her husband did not retard the success of the business he left her. She is centrally located and enjoys a large patronage.

Glascow & Lewis, fashionable tailors, have the best trade in the town. As cutters and fitters they enjoy enviable reputations.

Arthur Harris runs the neatest tonsorial apartments in town. His place is headquarters for the best citizens.

Martin Grinton, the reliable blacksmith and horseshoer, is the leader in his business.

John Robinson, carriage-smith and general repairer, is making money. Robinson is a sort of mechanical genius. He can build a carriage, doing both the wood and iron work with equal dexterity and precision.

G R. Ruffin is a wheel-wright of established reputation.

The county in which Americus is situated has the following successful Negro planters, who contribute the major portion of the cotton which makes the town one of the big markets for this staple in the State: Joe Jeffers, 62 years of age, owns and cultivates 1,260 acres. He gives employment to fifteen families. A herd of horses are required to till his soil. A. B. Brown is an extensive planter. B. W. Weston cultivates 200 acres valued at $1,600. He employs seven men. Randal Wiggins owns and cultivates 500 acres valued at $4,000. He has six head of horses; gives employment to four men, and is an ex-slave.

Dr. J. W. Huguley has the largest practice of any physician in the city, white or black. He is a gentleman of high repute and has by dint of his ability as a learned and skilled physician thoroughly ingratiated himself into the good graces of the best citizens.

Colonel J. H. Dismukes is the largest owner of city real estate. He owns one hundred cottages valued in the aggregate at $50 000.

Prof. G. W. Philips, formerly of the firm of Philips & Philips, is accomplishing much success as a general dealer in real estate. Prof. Philips will be the future local correspondent of The Freeman.

The Americus Institute, under Prof. M. W. Reddick, is accomplishing a noble work. The school is four years old; has 177 pupils with two States represented. There are four assistant teachers. It is the product of an independent move among enterprising colored citizens.

In Albany, Ga, I found the following enterprises conducted by colored men:

C. H. Macarthy, dealer in fine imported and domestic wines and liquors, is doing as large a business in this line as any white establishment of similar character. Mr. Macarthy's billiard department is patronized by the best and most conservative people of Albany. Mr. Macarthy deserves the success he is meeting.

Jacob Jackson is the fashionable tailor of the town; four fifths of his customers are white. He is the only colored tailor I have met, thus far, who carries a full stock of goods. He employs five men and six women. These are mixed, some white, some colored.

Lee & Wadkins are two estimable young men conducting a first class grocery store. They employ two men. They have been in business but one year, yet have proven by their great success that they have come to stay.

R. L. Sampson, although but 19 years of age, is conducting a nice grocery business. His mother, next door to him, is running a splendid cafe.

George H. Gibson, another young man engaged in the fancy grocery and confectionary business, is sure to make his way. George is one of the city's ex-postmen.

George H. Elliot, the undertaker and embalmer, has an outfit of extensive pretensions. Mr. Elliot also conducts a suburban grocery business of about $1,200 stock.

A. E. Lippitt, grocery and general merchandise dealer, is doing nicely. Lippitt has made money and saved it.

Mrs. C. C. Helms conducts a suburban grocery store and is progressing. She has been in business three years.

Joseph Malone is proprietor of a first class restaurant. Malone is also an extensive ice cream manufacturer. He employs three men.

W. H Harrison is doing an immense business in groceries, fruits and confectioneries. He is an old citizen, having been in business for himself twenty-five years.

A. B. Sheffield, builder of wagons, log and dump-carts, is doing a thriving business. He seems to enjoy this field alone.

Henry Asberry is holding the position of assistant engineer of the city water works. He is in charge exclusively in the absence of the engineer.

Richard W. Paine is a successful cabinet maker.

Smith & Laster are the best boot and shoe makers in the city. They do a thriving business, perhaps the largest along their line in the entire city. They make boots and shoes to order. They have been in business thirty years at 72 Washington street.

Bartaw F. Powell, last, but not least, is the star feature of the town and county as an enterprising Negro. He is worth $40,000, and one of the most extensive planters in this country. A biographical sketch of this man will soon be sent in with photograph, etc.

In Thomasville, Ga., I found the following business firms successfully conducted by colored men:

Hammond Daniels deals in fancy and family groceries. His display of country produce is quite complete, and he controls the entire trade of one end of the town.

James Massey is proprietor of a large family grocery, and is doing nicely. He is a self-made man and enjoys the respect and confidence of all who know him.

James Roberts, the old reliable fish and oyster dealer, does a thriving business. His trade is very active among the Northern people who winter here.

Eugene Bruce conducts what is known as an antiseptic tonsorial parlor. His sterilizing apparatus is very unique. Mr. Bruce has a monopoly on the best white patronage in town.

A. G. Coombs, rector of the Episcopal church, is a native of Kingston, Jamaica, and a graduate of an institution in New York. Rev. Coombs is a thorough gentleman and scholar, and is building up a substantial congregation. The church is, as yet, an endowed mission.

Edmund A. Hamilton has been in business two years conducting a first class grocery establishment.

P. A. Duhart is doing a fashionable tailoring and general repairing business. Mr. Duhart is the most prominent colored tailor in the city.

Walter Wade is progressing nicely in the grocery and restaurant business.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Dr. Emma Williams spent Christmas at Madison.

Mr Ira E. Shannon will spend New Years in Madison, Ind.

Miss Mamie Clark is visiting her grandmother in Chicago.

Leach Chapter held installation of officers Monday evening.

Miss Mattie Roberts is spending the holidays at Adrian, Mich.

The Iris Whist Club met with Mrs. Bertha Turner Tuesday night.

Mrs. Lavina Sneed left Monday for Louisville to spend Christmas.

J. H. Jones, of Muncie, spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Mrs. Mary Lindsey.

The Christmas tree entertainment for Bethel Sunday-school took place Tuesday night.

Miss Blanche Clark, of Frankfort, is the guest of Mrs. W. M. Tucker, 638 Superior street.

Mrs. Chas. Brown is visiting her daughter Mrs. Julia Brown Hilman at Covington, Ky.

Bishop Grant preached at Allen Chapel Sunday. The Rev. B. F. Watson preached at Bethel.

Mrs. Gertie Thompson of Grand Rapids, Mich., is spending a few days at the Parker House.

Miss Clara B. Mays arrived in the city from Modoc, Monday to spend Christmas with her parents.

Charles Sneed went to Lexington, Ky., Saturday to deliver an address before the State Teachers' Association.

Miss Lillie Jackson, of Louisville, will spend the holidays in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fort Bazil.

Mrs. William Fisher has returned to her home at Mt. Savage, Md, after several weeks' visit with her son, Will Fisher.

The women of St. Phillip's Mission will keep open house New Year's day at the home of Mrs. Cyrus Allen, 326 West Eleventh street.

A cantata called "The Fairies' Charmed Garden," was given at Simpson Chapel Tuesday night, in connection with a Christmas tree entertainment.

The second of the Zenda matinees took place at Odd Fellows' Hall Christmas afternoon from 2 to 6 o'clock. Fred Anderson's orchestra furnished the music.

The members of Simpson Chapel who gave the "Milkmaid's Convention" at the church recently repeated it at Blackford-street church Wednesday evening.

Mrs. L. E. Clark entertained Thursday evening, December 26, from 8 to 12, at her home, 3328 Kenwood Ave., in honor of her guest, Miss Viola White, of Oberlin.

A social reunion of the members of St. Phillip's Mission and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was held Friday from 4 to 10 at the home of Mr. and Mrs Julius R. Cox, 1107 Nelson street.

Gurley Brewer the well known Negro politician called on Mr. Knox last Sunday afternoon for a little chat in reference to Mr. Knox's trip South. The hour or so was most agreeably spent.

The Mary Campbell Mite Missionary Society of Bethel church will keep open house to all missionary societies and others New Year's day at the home of Mrs. Susie Porter, West Eleventh street.

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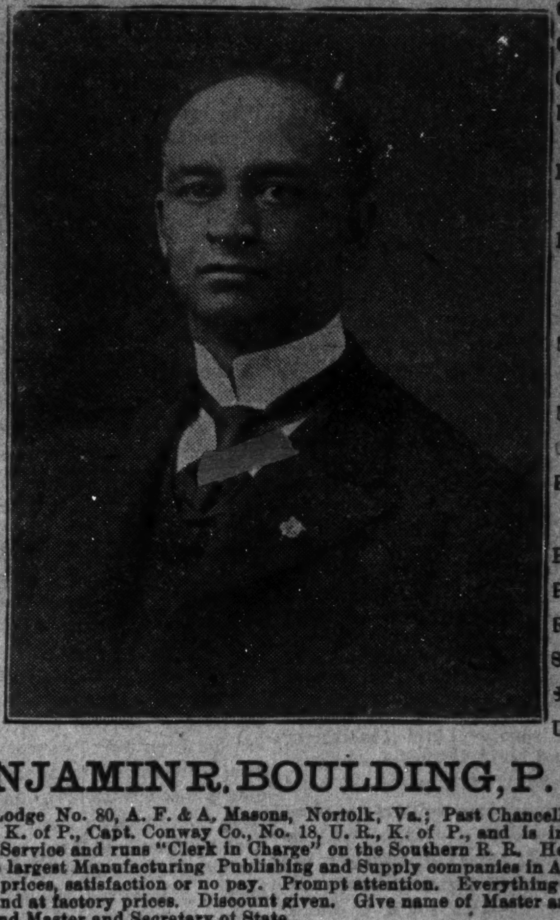

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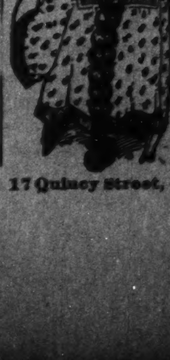

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ISIDOR D. BLAIR.

After all, will the Indiana Negro awaken to his political opportunities, or is he content with the usual "slap on the back?' Here in Indianapolis Mr. Isidor D. Blair has announced his candidacy for Justice of the Peace, subject to the Republican primaries. The 6,000 colored voters can give to him the nomination and election and supplemented by the white votes, he would lead the ticket. Will we defeat Mr. Blair as we allowed Mr. John A. Puryear to suffer defeat last fall by our failure to rally around him? The Recorder says a thousand times "no."—The Recorder.

There is no reason why Isidor D Blair should not be nominated and elected Justice of the Peace. Those who know Mr. Blair unhesitatingly pronounce him as qualified and eminently fitted for the position. The office is not one of high sounding title, but the pay makes it worthy of consideration and well worth the effort to secure it. Let the colored voters do their duty and we will have for one of our dispensers of justice Isidor D Blair.

It is very important that the colored voters of Alabama do not overlook the importance of getting their names as early as possible upon the registration lists. They should read carefully the provisions of the new constitution, and every colored man entitled to vote under this constitution should register without delay. It should also be borne in mind that all the money paid by them in poll taxes goes toward the support of the colored schools. The leading white people in Alabama have declared that they do not mean to prevent a Negro who is entitled to vote under the new constitution from doing so, and mean to treat him fairly in this respect. The Negro should not be backward in registering.

The Guardian of Boston does not feel that the President is coming up with the proper thing. It has this to say anent some of his recent appointments:

So President Roosevelt has displaced Recorder of Deeds Cheatham with John Dancy, another North Carolinian, and erstwhile collector of the port at Wilmington and to Dancy's place appointed a white man. This is only another instance of the well laid scheme of McKinley and Mark Hanna

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It is said that white waiters are planning to oust colored waiters on the dining cars If the colored waiters are vigilant, give good service and that attention that go with such positions, there ought to be no reason for fear. The colored waiter will do well to remember that nothing is conceded; he must simply be the best if he wants to maintain his position.

The appointment of John C. Dancy of North Carolina to the Recordership of Deeds of Washington D. C. and Dr. J. A. S. Crossland of Missouri as Minister to Liberia are among the political surprises of the week. Both of the individuals are men of standing at their homes and are favorably known throughout the United States.

The colored State Teachers' Association of Kentucky appointed a committee to ask Mr. Carnegie for $50,000 for Cave Spring University. It may be that Cane Spring is meant, Prof. Parrish's school, which is doing a work along the lines of Tuskegee. Mr. Carnegie could do no better.

Isidor D. Blair is out for Justice of the Peace and will be on the Republican ticket if nominated. Mr. Blair is a competent young man. He stands high at the bar. This is his second attempt. There is no reason why Mr. Blair should not be nominated and elected.

R. G. Hamill (white) of Temple, Tex., protests against a few contributed articles of the past as inflamatory. Under the circumstances Mr. Hamill is certainly right. In dealing with the race question it will be well to bear in mind the circumstances.

It will be extremely unfortunate if politics succeed in alienating the regard of any considerable body of white people from the Negroes. It will not stop at politics, but will be felt through all Negro life. How to avoid it is the question.

The Rev. Dr. R. D. Stinson, of Georgia, has been appointed by Bishop H. M. Turner and conferences of Georgia "Collecting Commissioner" for Morris Brown College, Atlanta They ask the support of the country towards raising $50,000.

The Republican love feast was the feature of this week. It was enjoyed by the faithful many of whom traveled miles to be on the scene. The candidates were present who did not fail to get in their very significant hand shakes.

The selection of John C. Dancy for Recorder of Deeds at Washington, D. C., was a good one He is just big enough to be good and sensible. He carries his greatest within and not on the outside as seem characteristic of some people.

Anarchism and lynching can safely be classed under one head. Either means opposition to the enforcement of the laws or the peaceful pursuance of custom.

It seems that the World would hold the President responsible for any lack of race consideration. The responsibility rests with the senators and congressmen.

Boston is said to have the foremost colored woman undertaker in the world in the person of Mrs. Theresa M Roles. Her husband is associated with her in business.

This issue is not so large as some of our former Christmas issues but we believe that all will agree that as a thing of beauty the present number has never been exceeded.

There are several colored men of the State who would have no objection to the Zanzibar consulship. Three white men have tried it and each have given it up owing to the climate.

Roscoe Conkling Bruce is earning great praise for his matchless oratory at Harvard University. He has won several medals, and all kinds of distinctions have been bestowed upon him.

The malicious Washington Post has it that Hon. H. P. Cheatham passed out of his office backward. What does it mean?

James B. Parker, who made the attack on President McKinley's assassin, has been awarded with a Senate messengership.

Thomas H. Frames of the Kuntsford Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah, gave his waiters a reception December 25. It was a merry Christmas.

LECTURE OF GEO. L. KNOX.

Among other good things Hon. Geo. L Knox, publisher of The Freeman, said last week before an intelligent audience at the Franklin Street Baptist church:

White Northern people judge the race by the loafers they see standing around the railroad depots. Since I started on my southern tour five weeks ago I have been introduced to scores of colored men whose wealth is variously estimated from five thousand and to three hundred thousand dollars.

The proper way to measure our race is from the church, the school room and the farm. While American slavery was a curse, still, in the providence of God, it prepared the way for the redemption of our people

Men like Booker T Washington and Prof. Council of Alabama are illustrations of the possibilities of the Negro. The doors of opportunities do not swing equally wide for both races. The Negro has better chances to make money in the South while the North only allows him opportunities to spend the money.

Both races have their prejudices The white man is studying the Negro and the Negro must study the white man That is the only way to solve the race problem.

The white man has disfranchised the Negro and yet he is not satisfied.

I was told that there are places in Alabama where no Negro is allowed to live I replied that the same condition is true in places in Indiana. I was informed about Jim-Crow cars in the South, and I thought it was horrid, but when I travelled through parts of Louisiana and observed the conduct of some of our people I felt like calling upon the conductors to protect me from my own people. I can now sympathize with the white people of the South. My only objection is they put us all together. The white men measure the race by the meanest Negroes while they measure themselves by the best white people.

The whites and blacks owe each other a debt of gratitude. The hate of the white man is not hurled against the better class of Negroes, but against the worse. The Negro must change his position. Citizenship without character will not gain for the Negro the recognition he desires. We must reach the masses of our race and arouse them to think for themselves and work for their own elevation. The Negro is largely responsible for race prejudice. We should cultivate race pride and not race prejudice.

The Negro has inflated notions about education. The Booker Washington theory is the correct one, and has come to stay. The white people are preparing bread-winners and our system of education is to prepare ladies and gentlemen. The lady and gentleman idea is born of slavery. We should teach our boys and girls to become men and women. We are producing a race of consumers instead of a race of producers.

The Negro should be independent in politics and vote only for good men, even if he has to go out of his party to find them

The Democrats of Indiana passed a Civil Rights bill, and if any man in that State refuses to serve a Negro on account of his color he may be made to pay $200

We don't want social equality. All we want is civil rights

If disfranchisement will serve to make better citizens of our people then our enemies will build better than they knew.

Put your manhood and womanhood into the forces of life and you will win. —Mobile Weekly Press.

HON. CHARLES W. MILLER.

Among those who are prominently mentioned for State office is Hon. Chas. W. Miller, the well-known lawyer of Goshen, Ind., who has, after much solicitation on the part of his friends, agreed to stand as a candidate for Attorney General of Indiana Mr Miller is yet a young man—thirty-eight years old He has since his majority put in much time in the interest of his party—serving it well and without consideration. His many friends feel that he in turn now deserves consideration at the hands of his party for his zeal.

When Mr. Miller was nominated for Elector-at-Large by the Indiana Republicans, a year or more so ago, Elkhart county responded by giving the largest Republican majority in her history. Mr Miller led his ticket.

Mr. Miller is a man of conceded ability, a graduate of Michigan University and well equipped for the duties of the great office of Attorney General of Indiana. As an orator and skilled debater he is prepared to hold his own which ability fits him for the hustings as well as for the courts.

Mr. Miller is approachable. He is noted for always having extended a hand of help and mercy to the deserving poor. His reputation for charity and kindly acts has long since preceded him, making him one of the strong men among the people.

His ability and general fitness will be further attested by his relation to the following orders and associations:

He is a 32d degree Mason, a Shriner, a Knight Templar and a member of the Knights of Pythias. He is president of the State Bank of Goshen, Elkhart County Loan and Trust Company of Elkhart county, and is secretary of the Lesh, Prouty & Abbott Lumber Company of East Chicago, Ind.

It is safe to say that Mr. Miller will find high favor with the Republicans all over the State

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WHAT I WOULD DO AS AN EDITOR....

EXPRESSIONS FROM THE LAITY.

What I would do as an editor of a Negro Journal.—First, be honest or resign. Second, master political economy instead of politics. Third, be a leader of thought; not a caterer to public sentiment. Fourth, have an editorial each week on one of the following subjects: Single Tax, Socialism, Anarchism, Freetrade, Protection, Silver Question, Single Standard, and the Negro Question. The Editor who does not understand these questions should retire from journalism.

James Mackey.

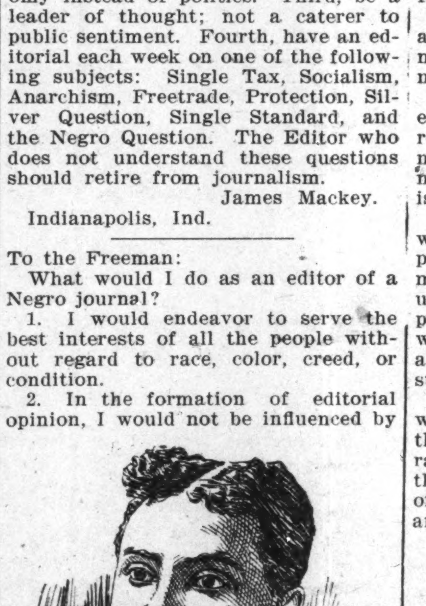
Indianapolis, Ind.

To the Freeman:

What would I do as an editor of a Negro journal?

1. I would endeavor to serve the best interests of all the people without regard to race, color, creed, or condition.

2. In the formation of editorial opinion, I would not be influenced by personal bias, political prejudice or other considerations that could not be accepted as an honorable race man and a patriotic citizen.



3. I would publish all the news proportioning my available space according to the importance of the subjects treated, flattering no one because he happened to be my intimate friend; slighting no one because he happened to be my personal enemy.

4. I would weigh every man and woman and race institution in a scale that would correctly register the value of each to the body politic.

5. I would aim to print reports of events within at least three weeks after their occurence.

6. I would get my paper out on schedule time and aim to reach every subscriber on the date carried on the front page.

7. I would pay my help promptly and in full, realizing that shoddy methods in meeting obligations would mean nothing but shoddy service.

8. As a man of experience, I would endeavor to strike an average of my receipts and thus be careful to make no "wild cat" bills, which there was no likelihood of my being able to satisfy.

9. I would organize a competent working force, securing the very best persons to head the several departments, imbue them with an individual enthusiam in the succees of the paper, and have them equitably share with me the profits that would naturally follow a business conducted upon strictly business principles.

10. I would produce a paper that would faithfully represent the best thoughts and morals of the Negro race, and I am firmly convinced that the culture, intelligence and finance of our people would give me loyal and continuous support.

R. W. Thompson.

Washington, D. C.

If I were an editor of a Negro journal I would come in contact with all the influential and leading men of the race who would be willing to contribute to my journal such matter as would characterize our best literature. I would aim to keep informed on the leading questions of the day and deal with them. I would attempt to solve the problems of a growing and progressive age, especially those questions and problems that effect the race.

I don't know that I could do any better than try to emulate the editors of The Indianapolis Freeman, who always edit a high-grade journal.

C. H. HUNTER.

Crawfordsville, Ind.

I as an editor would not, could not, have that hair-straightening and that trying to make our skins white. Some of us are not satisfied with our skin and hair. Jeremiah, the 13th chapter and 23d verse, says: "Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots? Then may ye also do good that are accustomed to evil."

Again, Mr. Editor, I see another practice and that is this fist fighting. I think when the better class of our people will regard such as low and ill-bred and not fit for any society, it may then they will look for some other occupation, such as farm work, coal digging and railroad work, etc.

Another practice, Mr. Editor, is going on and that is that degraded crap shooting. Let the churches, deacons, preachers and lay members cry against the awful practice.

I saw in an Evansville paper of a few days ago where the police made a raid on Negro crap shooters. And again in a Princeton paper, I saw where the officers made a haul of several Negro men in a lawyer's office shooting craps. They were all fined.

If the question be asked at the winding up of the ball of life, what have these gained, they could only answer, nothing. What have they lost? They have lost all. I beg a small space for these rusty hints. Yours for the right,

J. C. BERRY.

Oakland City, Ind.

Editor The Freeman:

I am a Negro, but not an editor. If I edited a Negro journal I would endeavor to impress upon the minds of my people the facts that dark skin and coarse hair are not blockades standing between them and success; that the white people, with the exception of some who have not proved themselves worthy to succeed in this life and are without tickets of admittance to heaven, are doing much to advance those of the Negro race who show an inclination to rise mentally, morally and financially. No one can monopolize success.

The Negro who qualifies is free to enter and succeed in any avenue of business which he may elect. None can succeed in this life or in the life to come, who are unwilling to pay the price of success—a rule which applies to all, regardless of color.

The social bar standing between the white and black races in this country is not located in the road leading to success, consequently the progress of neither race is impeded by its existence.

The Negro citizen who possesses integrity, intelligence and industry, stands on a level with the white citizen possessing similar qualities—and the two regulate, to the satisfaction of both, the social scale which shall exist between them.

E. M. Crigler.

Dear Sir—As I see in your issue for November 30, that you solicit from the general public their views on the above subject, so I now send mine to you.

I will say that if I was the editor of a Negro journal and knowing that fact that I belonged to a race of people who are supposed to be the most ignorant of all the races on the face of the globe, it would be my paramount object to concede honor and credit to each individual member of my race, who had achieved something in life that reflected honor and credit upon himself, his race and his country, and more especially would I give him honorable mention if he excelled as a tradesman, a professional man, or if he possessed extraordinary talent of some kind and was putting it to good use, but I will say that I would not wait until some white editor discovered this Negro's ability, and then copy what this white newspaper had to say about him. The one great trouble with the average Negro is that he is very generous about saying mean things about some other Negro but he never wants to say anything good about the other Negro. It makes no difference how much he may deserve it.

Second, I would make it my business to call my people's attention to their weaknesses and their mistakes and to tell them why these things are wrong and why they should not do them. And last but not least, I would expose and denounce those of my race and all other races who persistently and continuously lead a life of vice and crime; that is when I thought such actions would not put my life in danger.

A. R. M.

Editor of the Freeman:

If I were an editor of a Negro journal I would endeavor to promote the moral, financial and intellectual condition of our people. I would try to place before my readers such news and editorials as would impel them to strive to promote their condition.

Since children are great imitators of the example laid before them, I would constantly explain to my readers the ruinous effect of permitting their children to frequent the places of questioned decency, and to hear the vile conversations of degraded men and women. I would strongly impress upon them the importance of bringing their children up under the influence of the school and the church so they would imitate the examples laid by our best men and women. By this method, I think the morality of the race would be greatly improved.

As our financial progress is greatly impeded by our small patronage of the places of business conducted by our race, I would teach our people how impracticable it is for us to make much financial success without patronizing our lawyers, doctors, and the places of business conducted by the race.

I would impress upon their minds these two sentences: (1) We, as a people, will never make a financial success, so long as we labor all the week for a certain amount of money, and on Saturday night give this same amout of money to other races for supplies; (2) Our financial success will come only when we save a portion of our weekly earnings for a rainy day, and give a large part of the remainder to our own race for supplies.

Believing our intellectual advancement to be somewhat hindered by a large part of our people not coming in contact with the teaching and writing of our leading men and women, I would try to devise some plan to place, at least one good history of the lives of our leading men and women and a Negro journal into every Negro family.

In order to do this as quickly as possible I would ask the editor of the remaining Negro journals to constantly place before their readers these same ideas. I would impress upon our ministers the great importance of instructing their congregations on these subjects. I would also ask the aid of all the Negro teachers, lawyers, and doctors.

By explaining to them that a few of us as individuals may soar above the race, and make a financial success. Let the earnings of the majority of the editors, ministers, lawyers, doctors, and teachers of any race depend upon the financial standing of that race, I believe they would willingly give their assistance.

J. C. Thompson.

73 Fairfield Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

THE TIMELY COMING OF THE WORLD'S REDEAMER.

BY BISHOP J. W. HOOD, D. D., LLD.

There is no other subject so suitable at this season, as one touching upon the person or history of the Redeemer of man.

Without Him there could be no Christians, no joyful season in this world.

He is the spring of all mortal joys; at His birth an angel choir sang of glad tidings, of great joy, of peace on earth and good will to man.

But we are to write of His timely coming.

Considering the importance of His advent, how greatly the world needed Him, and how indispensible to human happiness His coming was, the thought arises in the enquiring mind: why was the event so long delayed? Why were not the blessings of the gospel dispensation introduced at an earlier period.

The Apostle Paul seems to have anticipated this inquiry, and gives a most satisfactory answer.

He indicates that there was a suitable time settled in the eternal mind, at which the Son of Man should come to redeem the world, and that He came exactly at the time appointed. "When the fullness of time was come, God sent forth His Son." (See Gallations 4:4.)

He came in the fullness of prophetic time. At the period to which the prophets pointed. According to Jacob's prophecy He was to come before the scepture had finally departed from Judah. He did come in the days of Herod, the last king who reigned in Judea.

Daniel's prophecy pointed to the exact period at which He should enter upon His redeeming work. "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people to finish transgression, to make an end of sins, and make reconcillation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal the vison of prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy. Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the covenant went to restore and to rebuild Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince, shall be seven weeks and threescore and two weeks. * * * After threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off but not for Himself. * * * He shall confine the covenant with many for one week, and in the midst of the week He shall cause the sacrifice of oblation to cease." (See Daniel 9:24-27. This prophecy points to the period at which Jesus entered upon His redeeming work. In the prophecy of Daniel, as in the book of Revelation, a day stands for a year, and a week for seven years. According to the best obtainable information, the commandment to restore and rebuild Jerusalem, went forth B. C. 454.

Christ entered upon His public ministry at His thirtieth year. Add 29 years to 454 and you have 483 years, which equal sixty-nine of the seventy prophetic weeks. In the midst of the seventieth week, or the last seven of 490 years He was cut off but not for Himself. He caused the sacrifice of oblation to cease, by the one offering of Himself, which needed not to be rejected. This remarkable prophecy and its complete fulfillment render unbelief in the divinity and Messiahship of Jesus inexcusable, and as Jesus puts it, "damnable."

If the limit of this paper permitted we should show that the Redeemer came at the most suitable period in the world's history. That he came at the period when it had been fully demonstrated that no human effort could satisfy the cravings of the human mind; but space fails.

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BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.—San Diego, Cal., Jan. 6, 7; Santa Anna, 8; Riverside, 9; San Bernardino, 10; Pomona, 11; Los Angles, 12 to 15.

W. I. SWAIN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS, New Sharon, Ia., Jan 7; Des Moines, 9; Meulton, 10; Kirksville, Mo., 12.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS.—Emporia, Kan., Jan. 6; Topeka, 7; Lawrence, 8; Leavenworth, 9; Atchison, 10; Burlington, 11.

Kid Alston sends regards to James B. Weeks and Miss Ione Disard.

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Skip Farrell sends regards to P. G Lowery, Al. and Perry McKanlass.

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A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to our patrons everywhere.

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Mrs. Skip Farrell and mother are visiting friends and relatives in Indianapolis.

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Hello, Tom Logan. Mr. Kid is boss now. A merry Christmas and a happy new year.

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Robert K. Lyons sends regards to McKissick and Jones, and would like to hear from them.

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Kid Alston wishes all of his Portland Oregon friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Eberhart's "A Holiday in Coontown" will be at the Empire Theatre, Indianapolis, January 9, 10, and 11.

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Charles A. Jones, Apalachicole, Fla., would like to hear from Miss Florence Hines and J. S. Walker, trap drummer.

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James H. Harris has joined "A Honolulu Coon Co.," and sends regards to Sawrence Winn and the Twin-city boys.

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Pat Chappelle wishes to hear from Bob Ponnell, Pearl Moppin and Johnson & Reid. Business of importance; write at once.

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Pearl Moppin and John Lewis, late of the Harrison Bros. Minstrels are spending the winter at Slanghtersville, Ky. Regards to all friends.

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Al. E. Holman, The Freeman representative with "Down Mobile" company, at the Park the first three days of the week, accompanied by his wife, were pleasant callers at this office.

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Dick and Lizzie Williams were in Fargo, N. D, during the holidays, the guests of John Ponnell, the author of "Swamps of Louisiana." They are now with McCabe & Young's black vandeville.

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Charles J. Ross, lyric tenor, and Geo. Henry, with "Down Mobile" company, were callers this week. Mr. Ross can sing, but knows very little about whist playing. A little Gordon, please, Lieutenant.

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The veterans Mr. and Mrs. Charles Small, with the "Down Mobile" company, were entertaining Freeman callers this week. Mrs. Small is a sister of Rev. Ransom, of Chicago, and an interesting conversationalist.

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Samuel Wiggins is now meeting with success as a descriptive baritone singer with the Western Star Jubilee Singers. He sends regards to all friends in hotel and professional life, and wishes them a merry Christmas and happy new year.

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J. Ed Green, the Bronze Chesterfield was special on the bill at the Crescent Theatre, New Orleans, La., Dec. 15 to 21, with Rusco & Holland's Minstrels, doing second edition "Middle," and the "Blackville Strutter" in the last act.

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Johnson & Dean have created a sensation in Berlin Germany with their act Miss Dora Dean formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., is at present poseing a life size portrait painted by the celebrated German portrait painter Mr. E. Heilemann.

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John Harper and wife, billed as the "Poet and the Peasant" singers, dancers and cake walkers, are with Ed. Rush's Victoria Burlesquers this week at the Empire. They are a hard working team and their act received many flattering notices.

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Jones, Grant & Jones are on the bill this week at the Grand Indianapolis, being the first colored performers to play this house since it has been given up to vaudeville They have a clever act and made a decided hit during the engagement.

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Notes from H. LaShe:—I am at my home, 618 Vine street, Des Moines, Ia., at present, and don't expect to go out any more until next season, and then I go with Rusco & Holland's Georgia Minstrels. Regards to all friends. I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

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Notes from the Buckingham Theatre, Tampa, Fla:—The Buckingham reopened Monday, Dec. 23d, to a well filled and pleased audience, with an all star vaudeville and comedy company. This company will play here indefinitely. Th opening bill was the great Negro comedy, "A Rabbit's Foot," with polite vaudeville between acts Following is the roster: "Happy Arthur Hoere, Will Goff Kennedy, Preacher Chisolm, Clifford Brooks, George McDaniels, Jas Chappelle, F. F. Valtean, Louis Williams, Oscar Hicks, Mae Fisher, Hattie Bluford, Lucy Pettus, Lillian Wheeler, Ada Harris, Laura Logan, and Henry Stirrups. Pat Chappelle and his entire company wish all friends a merry Xmas and a happy new year. Business big. Good talent can be placed at this house at all times.

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Philadelphia Notes:—James L. Goodall, a very popular man of the city, will take his "Coontown 400" out again, which includes quite a bunch of the home talent. Jim says he will stick to it this time until he is broke. He has a strong show and we wish him good luck. Gibbs & Taylor are still around. Harris Bros.' Minstrel has closed and most of the people are here looking good. Dan Avery and partner played Keith's last week. Billy Jackson was here last week, and owing to disappointment in financial matters, was compelled to cancel his next date.

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Kansas City and Kansas Notes:—Mrs. L E Dennis, wife of the comedian, John Dennis, both members of the Gayer & West's Minstrels, left for Houston, Tex., the 27th ult, to attend the funeral of a devoted nephew, who accidently lost his life Christmas. Prof. J. B West and his orchestra are at the London Art Theatre, on Main street. The members are: J. B. West, lead violin; Oliver Perry, second violin; Budie Robertson, cornet; Chas. Washington, trombone; M. McQuitte, double base; C. C. Hill, French horn. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bostwick and the Williams, Charles and Pernecia, send their best regards to the New Orleans Minstrels. We regret the death of our esteemed friend, C. M. Barge, a member of that company. His family has our sympathy. We hope the company will be able to fill his place by one so good and useful as he.

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Salem Tutt Whitney of the Oriental Troubadours writes:—"Up to the present time we have enjoyed a most profitable season. Everywhere our company has given entire satisfaction and though not a large one is made up of artists and each one knows his business and does it During the past summer and fall seasons we have been playing one week stands introducing a complete change of program nightly. The personnell of the company is as follows: Wm A. Baynard, piano specialist; Chas H. Puggsley, Southern tenor; Salem Tutt Whittney, basso, comedian and stage manager; J. C. Lewis, character artist; Walter C Emery, eccentric dancer and acrobat. Emma A. Baynard, prima donna; Lillian G Brown, Boston nightingale; the Taylor Sisters, Nettie and Jennie, instrumentalists. We wish a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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J. Harry Jackson sends us the following from New York City:—The "Holiday in Coonville" company, headed by the versatile comedian, S. H. Dudley, having concluded a brief and profitable engagement of several weeks, returned to the city on the 29th ult. The company made an emphatic hit in the East, and the fact is not to be wondered at when the array of artists is considered. Among those with this aggregation were: S. H. Dudley, a most clever comedian; Simpson and Pittman, musical artists of much ability; Ollie Brown, the king of the slack wire; the Misses Ida Say and Sarah Price, duettists; Black Carl, the prince of magicians; Bertie Ormes, the petite Octoroon; Chas. Moore, basso and character artist, these with their supero band complete a company second to none. The wand is under the leadership of Prof. Henry Austin, who, by the way, was formerly a member of the Brotherhood band of Indianapolis. Quite a number of managers have been negotiating for the company, but it has been announced that George Whitney, proprietor of the Fitchburg (Mass.) Opera House, has secured the attraction. The company is now rehearsing to tour the balance of this and next season under his able management.

Simpson and Pittman are producing their clever musical act in Boston this week.

The Baileys, John and Rachel, are booked to appear over the Kieth circuit, opening at their house in Philadelphia the week of the 6th inst.; Boston, week of the 13th, with their New York house to follow on the week of the 20th. The Baileys are making quite a hit with their Prismaticscope dance.

Messrs. L. A. Salisbury and Fletcher Cole, Erb Robinson and Jack Brown now compose the Blue Ride Comedy Four, having joined the "Heart of the Blue Ridge" company in this city last week.

Yeager and Yeager are playing dates through the New England States.

Murphy and Slater were at the Gaiety Theater, Williamsburg, last week.

The Maxleys, Joe and Amy, are rehearsing a new up-to date novelty act.

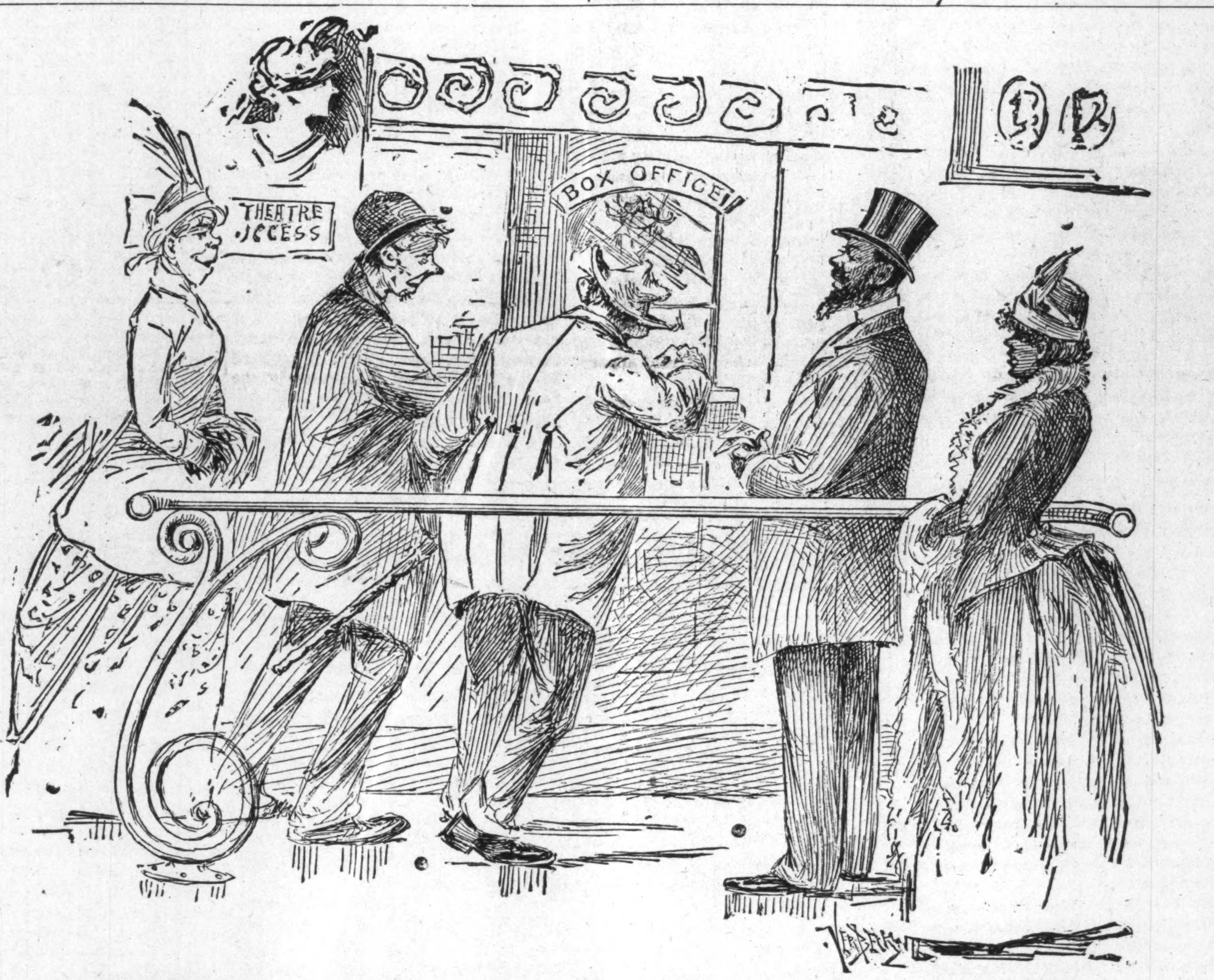
The Whangdoodle Comedy Four, with Miaco's "Jolly Grass Widows," were big favorites at the Bowery Theatre last week. The Whangdoodles are composed as follows: Bobby Kemp, Julius Glenn, Harvey Goodall and Henry Powers

Johnson & Murray are one of the funniest teams seen in New York this season. Both are clever young men and are always sure of something to do in and around the city.

Bob Cole was the big vaudeville bill Sunday night at the New York Theatre.

Mallory Bros. & Brooks were at the Bowery Theater Sunday night.

Nina Dina and her company of fourteen Creole girls in dancing drill and fencing exhibition were a big feature Sunday night at the Third Avenue Theatre.



ONE PHASE OF RACE PREJUDICE.

The Negro's Southern Status.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 23, 1901.

To Editor of The Freeman—Your many readers will hail the day when The Freeman will institute a systematic and comprehensive refutation of these cruel aspersions upon American citizens. We suggest that The Freeman invite our ablest writers to discuss bribery and vote buying—its past, present and the prospects, if any, of its early elimination from our body politic. Give us a history in symposium of election methods as practical in the United States of America. Let us know whether the Utopis really exists in any part of our country so beautifully depicted by arch hypocrites and malevolent creatures who put to shame God's noblest image purists, whose stock in trade is to villify and traduce their fellow men. Turn the calcium light of honest investigation upon these "friends" who clamor to be "let alone" in their treatment of the black citizen. "We know how best to handle him" is illustrated with a vengeance in a reduced curiculum to the fifth grade in Louisiana colored public schools; a painfully abridged citizenship in several Southern States; appeals to the President of devilish malignity to further debase us by refusing ten millions of loyal citizens representation in offices of emolument and honor. The Baltimore horror and other countless murders will abundantly attest to their proficiency as "handlers." Dante with his wonderful powers of imagination and judicial key failed to assign to any part of his inferno the man hater in the absolute such as described above who, under the guise of friendship, would rob us of all that is sacred to manhood and then mock us in our misery. A creature so unique can find no companionship in Plutonian regions. Is illiteracy a crime that it must be punishable by serfdom? Is it possible for an honest man who cannot read to serve God and be faithful along all lines of duty and yet not be trusted to vote according to the dictates of judgment and conscience? Are education, wealth and high social station safe guards against political corruption? Who are the bribers, the beneficiaries, etc.? will be questions raised in our symposium. All honor to the few noble men and women of the South who have protested against the cruel and cowardly treatment of the oppresser. They have our deathless gratitude, but unfortunately for the under dog they are too few and far between and results plainly show that their cries in our behalf are about as effective as a snow flake against an advancing locomotive. We are not hyphenated Americans. We repudiate and abhor the hyphen, "Afro," "Negro" and "colored" to the contrary notwithstanding. American citizens "to the manner born," history establishes our claim to the title. Divinely ordained yet dearly bought by toil and bloodshed on farm and field of battle. Naturalized citizens and adopted children may boast of "Fatherland," not so with us. This is our own fatherland, our mother country. We know no other, and, as in the past, so in the future we stand ready to defend it to the last breath. Thank God we have buried the past and forgive all injuries, and in obedience to Him who spoke as never man spoke, and not as a sychophant, but as man to man we rejoice to say that we shall endeavor to exemplify the teachings of the lowly Nazarene who commands us to "Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you; bless them that curse you and pray for them which despitefully use you."

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Dyersburg Items.

Dyersbvrg, Tenn., Special.—Mr. Omer G. Thomas and wife left on Tuesday night for their native home to spend Christmas holidays with their mother and father of Union City. Thomas Robinson, superintendent of the National Sick Accidental Association, accepted the invitation which was given him to spend Christmas with the president of the association at Nashville, Tenn. Mrs Hester Dodd has been on the sick list for a few weeks was blessed on last Thursday with a fine boy. Miss Nettie Menzie has been on the sick list a few days, but is now able to be up again. Miss Hattie Thomas left on Sunday for her home in Nashville, Tenn., where she will stay awhile. Miss Beatrice Fuller has been on the sick list for a few days, but she is able to be up again. Miss Emma Strain left last Sunday morning to spend Christmas. James Roberts left also on Monday morning to spend Christmas in Brownsville with his grandmother. F G Robinson of Dyersburg has been promoted to superintendent of the National Sick and Accident Association, and has placed under his employ Omer G Thomas, Logan Reed and H Dailey of Union City to be subagents, being the only colored insurance superintendent in the South. We hope for him great success. Miss Dora Ray is still on the sick list. We hope she will be up in a few days.

Interesting Notes.

Macon, Mo., Special—Richard Sherwood is improving. The musical concert given by Miss Ida Jones was quite a success. Mrs. T. B Burris will give a grand old folks concert. The Masons gave a supper at their hall during Xmas. week. The A. M. E. church has a first class choir. Miss Maggie Pleasant is on the sick list. The Type contest given by the Western College was quite a success. Mr. Roy Irven is visiting his mother and friends.

Anaconda News.

Anaconda, Mont., Special.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kelley entertained a few friends at their residence 415 Front street. The evening was pleasantly spent and a delightful lunch was serve at 12, and too much can not be said for the hostess. The following were the guests in attendance Mrs. Lizzie Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Pryor, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. H. Harris, Wm. Walker, Geo. Warfield, J. W. Bush, Jas. Wesley, Dick Devough, and L. R. Ridley.

Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Protracted meeting commenced at Second Baptist church Tuesday Dec. 30, to continue several weeks. The past week was week of prayer at A. M. E. church. An entertainment was given by the Stewardess of A. M. E. church Wednesday evening Eagle Band furnished music. Miss Celia Hart of Lima, O., is visiting her cousin Miss Cora Newman of Macedonia avenue. Mr. James Mayberry and Miss Grace Shoecraft were married Dec. 26 Miss Beltz of Lima, O., is visiting her sister Mrs. Baily. Miss Beulah Kelly of Montpelier, Ind., is visiting friends in the city. Mrs. Evans of Richmond, Ind., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Will Guthrie.

Miss Portia Washington, the cultured and refined daughter of Prof. Booker T. Washington, who is the most noted and talked of colored girl in America, received more handsome, elaborate and unique Xmas gifts than any other young lady at Wellesley College. Besides being nobby and swell, the presents received were such that would have been the envy of a Queen or Princess. The famous colored girl was warthed at the handsome gift received from admiring donors.

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The Business Men of Clarksville, Tenn., are organizing a Business League that is to be based upon the same principles as the League of which Prof. Booker T. Washington is president. Their chief aim is to encourage race pride and race patronage among the race.

NEWS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHU CH

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EDUCATIONAL WORK OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

The Methodist Episcopal Church through the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society is carrying forward a great system of education for our people in the South. Forty years ago this Society began its work, with a single teacher, and with a borrowed capital of a few hundred dollars. To-day, there are 47 Institutions scattered all over the South, with real estate worth $2 600,000. Over 300,000 different young men and women have been instructed during these years, and the Society has an average attendance of over 11,000 pupils each year. The work of the Society is as many sided as is the problem itself, therefore, in all the great centers of the South it has schools of academic and normal training, with schools of dentistry, pharmacy, medicine and theology, and in all the institutions, industrial education is carried forward with increasing interest. The Society is now operating its industrial work at four great centers, for while some lines of industrial education are taught in all the schools, yet the great bulk is carried forward at these strategic points, namely, Claflin University at Orangeburg, S. C., Clark University, Atlanta, Georgia, Walden University (formerly Central Tennessee College) at Nashville, Tennessee, and Gilbert Academy and Industrial College at Baldwin, La. At the latter place, the Society owns nearly a thousand acres of good sugar-cane land, and will soon have the United States Experiment Station in sugar making at this point.

Scores and hundreds of graduates from the industrial departments have been sent out all over the South, three of them heads of departments at Tuskegee, Alabama, and Mr. Julius C. Young, connected with one of the largest steam heating firms in the country, is now putting in the plant at the Chicago University, having under him nearly a dozen young colored men all of whom have received their instruction in the Industrial departments of the Freemen's Aid and Southern Education Society. No organization of the entire country has done more to give Academic, professional and industrial education to the great masses of colored people than the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Education Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

M. C. B. MASON,
Cor. Sec. F. A. and S. E. Society
Cincinnati, O.

REV. M. C. B. MASON, D. D.,
Corresponding Secretary F. A. and S. E. Society. M E Church.

GENERAL NOTES.

At the close of the war there were about 4,000,000 Negroes in the United States There are at this time about 9 000 000. My, how we do grow! Booker Washington says "A people that, whether in slavery or freedom, has proved its ability to look the white man in the face, to live by his side, to grow strong in numbers, and to get something from him at nearly every point of contact, is fit for American citizenship"

Since the Spanish-American war there have been discovered Roman Catholic priests in the Philippines who had never seen a copy of the Bible.

The Jews are making great preparations to give an exhibition in New York sometime during the year, and will show their importance in art, literature and culture in general. There will be much presented of historical value, and the other races will be given opportunity to judge of the importance of the Jew to this country.

The Tract society of the M E church distributes tracts in English, German, Swedish, Danish, Polish, French, Italian, Spanish, Bohemian, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese and many other languages and dialects Grants have been sent to nearly every part of the civilized world. Here in the United States tracts are sent free to prisons, poor houses, hospitals, soldiers' barracks, and to vessels in port. Large numbers were sent the soldiers during the late war with Spain. The work has been carried on in foreign lands since 1854. During the year 1900 nearly 10,000,000 of papers were distributed in this country by this society.

Methodism has been defined as "Christianity in earnest." It is earnestly hoped that the year 1902 may see a demonstration of this as a fact.

The Wesleyan University, of Middletown, Conn., has been made happy by the gift of $125 000.

The new Constitution of the M. E. church, as adopted by the General Conference held in Chicago in May, 1900, has been ratified by the Annual Conferences by a vote of 8,196 to 2 513 and is now the law of the church. This settles the right of women to sit as delegates in the General Conference, and gives the laymen increased authority in the affairs of the church.

Mrs. Gilliam desires to thank the Sewing Circle for their kindly remembrance in the presentation of an elegant dress pattern.

INDIANAPOLIS NOTES.

The Flower Mission asks a collection from each church to assist in meeting the increased demands upon them in their efforts to help the poor. Every congregation should respond.

Sunrise prayer meetings were held in every M. E. church on Sunday, the 29th. The Epworth League of Simpson had theirs in charge, and a service of much benefit was had.

Revival services will be held at Simpson beginning January 26th. Rev. W. W. Locke, a preacher of ability and experience, will assist the pastor. A spiritual blessing is confidently expected, and many conversions hoped for.

The pastor and family have been constantly on the go during the holidays, and only regret their inability to respond to the many invitations to partake of the good things offered them in such abundance.

Miss Hattie Miles, Mrs. Carrie Daniels, Miss Elizabeth Cook and Mr. J. W. Brown entertained a large number of friends at the residence of Mr. Thomas Daniels during Christmas week, in true Southern style. Every one who has been South in this season of the year knows what is meant when it is said "in true Southern style." The tables spread were fit for a King or President to sit down to The editor knows whereof he speaks, for he was fortunate enough to be one of the invited guests

The Milkmaids' Convention was held at Blackford Street church on Christmas night, much to the delight and profit of a large audience.

Plans are on foot for "Woman's Day" during the month of January, and a rare spiritual feast may be looked for

The young people will give a grand concert for the benefit of the church ere many days.

The Sewing and Church Aid circles are doing a great work for the Trustees and Stewards

INDIANAPOLIS NOTES.

The "Fairies Charmed Garden" was something entirely new in the line of Christmas entertainments, and was enjoyed alike by the children and the older people also.

Revival services will be held, beginning the third Sunday in January. We confidently expect a gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and look for the converson of many souls.

We have several articles, which have been contributed to this page, by some of the best writers of our church. It was the intention to publish them in this issue, but after reflecting over the situation, we concluded to publish but three at this time, and to let the others follow, from week to week We believe this course will be productive of the best results to our church.

The cuts of our leading churches, together with those of their pastors, will appear in the succeeding issues, until the supply shall have been exhausted. We promise our readers some pleasant surprises, in this line.

The church and Epworth League rejoice at the safe return of our brother, Mr. G. L Knox.

Presiding Elders White and Sissle were in the city last week, and are now on their last Quarterly round of visits to the several charges on their districts.

The editor acknowledges the receipt of several complimentary letters, expressing approval of his efforts to bring the M. E Church more prominently before the people, of this section of the country than before. Revs. S. G. Turner and D. E Skelton, the reserve delegates to the General Conference of 1900 write that their work prospers. Rev. Turner also gives some interesting data relative to the early history of Simpson Chapel, which will be of much service in the near futures

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

PRINCETON, IND.

The revival service at the Second M. E church, was one of great benefit to the church. Rev. W. B. Harris, the pastor, was ably assisted by Rev. Geo M. Thomas, a native of South Africa, who recently joined the M. E. church in this city. Rev. Thompson is a faithful and successful worker in revival services, and any pastor in need of aid in this line would do well to communicate with him at this place.

Christmas was appropriately observed both in a spiritual and social way.

CHRISTMAS.

Christmas is again at hand. Christmas! Oh! How much joy and gladness that word seems to bring before one's mind! Christmas! Again the sweet story that the angels sung on Judea's plain nineteen hundred years ago. "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy," and now after the lapse of twenty centuries the return of the annual anniversary of the birth of the Christ-child, the same glad song of "Good tidings of great joy" is sung by the worlds millions.

There must be an understanding that this is a time of more than the exchange of presents, and for pleasure; this Christmas time has a deeper meaning.

It means the turning of the face towards Jesus the Light of the World, opening your eyes to see Him, and then following Him. It means to have the spirit of Jesus breathed into you, so that you are filled with its joy and light, and life; just as the Christ-child was, and this anniversary day of His birth reminds us again, and again of God's best gift to man. As He gave himself for us, so should we willingly give ourselves for each other. May each one who reads this article find written in his heart and life, evidences of the saving power of Jesus Christ.

ANCHORAGE, KY.

Rev S. G Turner, one of the oldest (in point of service) members in the Lexington conference, is pushing his work rapidly forward, and will be able to report a year of successful labor. The members and friends of the church feel themselves highly favored to have such an efficient pastor to serve them.

Dr. I. C. Turner, son of Rev. S. G. Turner has been afflicted with almost total blindness, but under the skillful treatment and nursing which he received at the St. Elizabeth hospital, Dayton, O., has regained his sight. We rejoice with the family that he has been thus blessed.

FLEMINGSBURG, KY.

During the three and a half years pastorate of Rev. D. E. Skelton, 271 persons have been added to the church. The Epworth League with forty-seven members, is doing excellent work. The Sunday school, D. C. Quaw, superintendent, and the Epworth League, Dr. O. W Holloway, president, stand second to none in efficiency.

The third quarterly meeting was held by Presiding Elder White and showed everything in first class order. This is one of the best churches in this part of Kentucky.

The Freeman is doing a great work among the colored people, and we pray God's choicest blessings upon its efforts.

CONNERSVILLE, IND.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society met at the church Thursday afternoon, Dec. 19, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. Malissa Mason.
Vice-president—Sadie Crockett.
Recording Sec'y—Sadie Washington.
Corresponding Sec'y—Mattie Jordan.
Treasurer—Maria Myers.

Special Christmas services were held Sunday morning, Dec. 22. The pastor, Rev. J. S. Bailey, preached two able and soul-stirring sermons during the day, and the choir sang beautiful selections, including a Christmas anthem.

The Ohio Club gave an Old Folks' Christmas Tree and Concert, Dec. 23, which was a success in every way.

Miss Sadie Washington's Sunday-school class gave a Mother Goose Reception and Drill Christmas Eve in connection with the usual S. S. exercises. This class has won for itself the name of surpassing the other classes in entertaining the public.

The Ladies' Aid Society had a Thank Offering, Wednesday, January 1, The society met with Mrs. A. H. Turner.

The Epworth League Cabinet met at Sadie Washington's Friday evening, December 27.

We are informed that Mr. Nahum Brashier has charge of a school in Cleveland, Ohio. Nahum is a member of our church, a former president of the Epworth League and a teacher at one time in our Sunday-school. We as a church are very glad to learn of the young man's success, and bespeak for him a prosperous future. One thing we admire in him—his fidelity for the church—he has never left her altar; in the many churches of different denominations in which he has labored he has found none like the M. E.

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SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

As I sit and scan the list of our colored prize fighters, my mind ruminates back to the good old days when Geo. Dixon held the championship of the United States, England and Australia. When Joe Walcott was the unconquered "Black Demon." When Peter Jackson roamed Australia, United States and England like a lion of the African Jungles seeking new foes to conquer and in a deafing roar proclaiming that he was King over all he surveyed. It was at this time just after his fight with Corbett, that Jackson could have defeated any living man, and only his color prevented him from meeting and defeating the great and the mighty John L Sullivan for the championship of the world. Alas poor Jackson has seen his day, and run his race and now sleeps beneath the sod in far off Australia, the uncrowned King pugilist of the world.

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"Young" Corbett the conqueror of Terrible Terry is spending the holidays at his home in Denver, Colo.; where a rousing benefit will be given him. Jas J. Jeffries the heavy weight champion will also appear at Corbetts benefit. After the holidays Corbett will return East where he will put a show of his own on the road. It was the policy of puglists a few years ago to open a saloon as soon as they won the championship, but now-a-days they all get stage struck.

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Six rounds limited bouts is again allowed in Chicago and as a result half a dozen atheletic clubs have been opened and sparring contests are held nightly Last Tuesday, Martin Duffry who recently defeated Siloff, beat Martin Judge of Philadelphia in 6 rounds. Duffy knocked Judge down in the second round and Judge took the count. After raising Judge was dizzy, and continued to clinch at every opportunity until the end of the sixth. Referee Hogan awarded Duffy the decision.

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Ex-Champion Jas. J. Corbett anounces that he will again challenge Champion Jeffries when the flowers bloom in the Spring tra la la.

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Peter Maher and Tom Sharkey have been matched to fight some time in January. The above two gentlemen are on the "has been" list.

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"Young" Griffo, has been heard from again and they say that he actually won a bout in Chicago recently.

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Benny Yanger the "Tipton Slasher" gained the decision over Joe Bernsteine of New York known as the "Ghetto Champion," at Chicago last week at the end of the sixth round Bernsteine had the best of the mill during the first few rounds after which he lost his steam and was nearly out at the end of the fight. George Siler was referee. Yanger is an Italian and is every inch a fighter and will give an account of himself every time he enters the ring. He enjoys the honor of defeating Young Corbett in nine rounds at Denver some time ago and he believes that he can turn the trick again.

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Billy Stift and Jack Beauscholte fought a six round draw in Chicago last week.

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Boxing is being revived throughout the South and West, and as a consequence business in pugdom is regaining its former state.

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"Wild Bill" Hanrahan, of New York defeated Marvin Hart of Louisville, at Louisville, last week, in the second round. The quick termination of the fight was a surprise to the local sports as Hart had never been defeated.

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"Young" Corbett was formerly a newsboy in Denver and on his return to his home city after defeating McGovern he was met by all the newsboys of the city headed by a brass band.

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Joe Walcott, the "Black Demon," is now the champion welter-weight. Walcott won his title from "Rube" Ferns, of Kansas, at the Fort Erie Club, Fort Erie, Canada, Dec. 18. Walcot and Ferns weighed 142 at 3 p. m. on the day of the fight and both entered the ring in pink condition. In the first round Walcott plainly showed that he was Ferns' master. Ferns was out fought at every rally, and in the fifth round Walcott sent in a fusilade of left jabs and upper cuts and had Ferns on Queer street when the sheriff ordered the referee to stop the mill. The referee awarded the bout to Walcott. After the fight Walcott issued a challenge to meet anybody in his class, Tommy Ryan preferred. Ryan says that he will not fight a colored man. It is the same old story.

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"Major" Taylor the champion cyclist of the world who went abroad last year and swept every thing before him and then returned to this country and beat all the crack cyclist of this country when ever given a fair chance will again go abroad this spring. It will be remembered how certain race officials and cyclists banded to gather last season to freeze the "Major" out, but like Banquo's Ghost he would down. Those who witnessed cycle racing at the Stadium, at the Pan-American Exposition, Buffalo, last summer well know now the white riders contrived to pocket Taylor in every race. Notwithstanding all of this conspiracy Taylor won. Evidently it is the intention of the whites to harrass Taylor and cause him to become disgusted, leave the association, and thus rid themselve of a most dangerous rival. It is announced that Taylor has contracted to ride twelve races abroad during the months of May and June.

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Tom Sharkey and Peter Maher are to go six rounds in Philadelphia Jan. 17. Sharkey has several other minor contests on hand and has engaged big Bob Armstrong the colored heaveyweight as his sparring partner. Armstrong seems to be much in demand now-a-days. Who knows but what Bob Armstrong is destined to be our future heavyweight champion.

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Joe Gans the great colored lightweight of Baltimore, beat Bobby Dobbs our other erst while great colored lightweight, in four rounds. Bobby fought desperately and showed great gameness but he was unable to with stand the fusilade of rapid punches and swings that Prof. Gans sent in Dobbs direction.

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George Gardner knocked out Kid Carter in the San Francisco athletic club in eight rounds in that city on Dec. 20, Gardner's terrific upper cuts and fast in fighting is what beat Carter though he fought bravely. Carter was beaten in the sixth round and only the bell saved him. This is the second time they have met and Gardner came out of both fights with colors flying.

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Emil Sanchez the little Cuban wonder beat Jack Carrig before a large audience in Chicago recently.

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Ferns is Back Up.

Rube Ferns now wishes that he hadn't. He regrets that he ever dealt in coal Never again will he invite a stocky black gentleman to a little hickering—not if he knows himself He met Joseph Walcott at Fort Erie last night, and in five rounds the Rube was smothered The referee stopped it when Ferns was helpless. and black Joe went away giggling jubilantly.

The above clipping is from one of our leading dailies, and is a fair sample of a certain class of white papers that make a special effort to prejudice the minds of the public against a colored man, it matters not what his calling is nor what abilities he posesses. If Walcott had of been a white man the paper in question would have devoted a column or more in landing the qualities of the new champion. As it is it only devoted 7 lines and they were used to stir up race prejudice. And yet there are a large number of colored sports who will buy and read such papers but never buy nor read race papers that are trying to show up the good qualities of the colored man.

BOSTON CORRESPONDENCE.

Special to The Freeman.

The Wendell Phillips Club gave a banquet on the 29th ult., in honor of Wendell Phillips. The notable features of that memorial evening seemed to be the shortcomings of Mr. J. R. Ham, president of the club, and the seating of R. C. Bruce at the head of the table and Rev. W. H. Thomas, pastor of Charles Street A. M. E. Church, an invited guest, at the side. The editor of the Guardian, the new Boston weekly paper, gives Mr. Bruce unnecessary criticism in this respect. Mr. Bruce himself could hardly be responsible for having the seat at the head of the table, and no one could blame him for sitting where he was placed. The thought of refusing a seat at the head of the table, perhaps, never entered his mind, for young college students are generally sadly lacking in experience. Roscoe Conklin Bruce, the son of a Senator, the namesake of Roscoe Conklin, and a Harvard student, is quite sufficient reason for this young man to guard his future life with great care, commonsense and judgment. He must remember that life will be happiest to him if not affected. All he has to do is to "beware" if he wishes to trace in the honorable footsteps of his late illustrious father.

The case of Walter C. Smith, a cripple and confidence man, and of Rastus Reed, a youth who stole goods from his employer, and pawned them, shows clearly how other honest people of the race are made to suffer humiliation on account of one or two ignorant, short-sighted mortals of depravity. This reminds us that home training is one of the most important things that should, if possible, be taught to children. The Ten Commandments and those words, "My boy, above all things, be honest," should be instilled in their minds, knowing that whatsoever a child sows, it must surely reap.

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A MOST HONORABLE DIFFERENCE

(By Bishop George Wylie Clinton, D. D., Charlotte, N. C.)

That individual who has lived to mature years in progressive and prosperous America and at this period is permitted to make his first visit to England, must observe many points of difference. Truly, England is rightfully called the old country. It is not only old in appearance, but in most things it is old in its customs and methods.

It has much, yea, very much, for the traveler to see that is interesting and instructive. Its time-worn cathedrals, its historic and ivy-covered castles, its imposing and grand monuments, which commemorate the deeds of the brave and good, its Westminster Abbey, the repository of the sacred and revered dust of some of earth's most renowned dead, its British Museum, with specimen of the world's wonders, art's treasures, science's most valuable discoveries, the excavator's unearthed treasures, London Tower, with the crown jewels, to say nothing of a thousand and one other curiosities and magnificent objects that may be seen in a week's ramble in and around London, without even going to beautiful Scotland and the far-famed dear old "Emerald Isle," Ireland, have no counterpart in America.

It is not these, however, that most impressed the writer as the marked and honorable difference between the old country and the new. Whatever else may be said about the English form of government, this much must be conceded—it governs according to the laws which are enacted by the rightful tribunals through the appointed agents. In America laws are made to meet certain demands. In some States wholesome laws are enacted to rid the States of certain evils, for example, the law prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons. In other States laws are made, professedly for the purpose of preventing the association, commingling or intercourse of the races, but designedly to humiliate and degrade the so-called inferior race.

In all the States notorious crimes against the person and rights of one man by his fellow-men are made punishable by statutory enactment. No one will say that England has better laws on any of these matters upon which it has enacted law. The difference comes about in the administration of the English law and the disregard of the American law. In England crime is colorless and criminals are held for their deeds whether they be in high place or in humble station. In England every man respects the law because he knows that if he should violate its precepts and be called before its administrators he will experience the prescribed penalty. In America many of its laws are no more than a dead letter, especially when applied to certain crimes and certain criminals.

Crime committeed by one class and color of men is veritably legalized if not by statute, it is by public opinion, which is always more potent than the formal law. It may seem a strange statement, but it is none the less well founded, when it is asserted that some laws which are found upon the statute books of many of our Southern States were never intended to apply to a white man. Carrying concealed weapons, the prohibition of illicit relations between the sexes, the punishment of flagrant crime, such as mob violence, unlawful homicide, assault and battery and every other form of lawlessness one might name, have little or no weight against a white man in a contest between him and a Negro.

The same is partially true when the cause is between a rich man and a poor man who are of the same complexion.

It is our lawlessness and lawless laws (?) that make America and Americans appear a conundrum in the eyes of every law-abiding person and nation.

The difference between America and England on the above lines is a great and honorable one, with all the honor in favor of England. This difference must not remain, but it is sure to increase until our highly favored country in every State, as well as at the national capital, shall enact equitable laws, appoint honest, able, impartial and faithful men to execute these laws at whatever cost and against whomsoever the law has a just cause.

Violation of law against a weak man soon tempts the transgressor to try his scheme against the strong. He who will rob or kill a man because he is black will become sufficiently hardened and brutalized to strike down the whitest and most exalted man in the land. Encouraged and unchecked crime knows neither bound nor person.

America's most atrocious fault and greatest danger is lawlessness. The responsibility for this condition of affairs, sad as it is, is due to a lack of courage upon the part of those who have it in their power to mold and shape public sentiment, as well as those to whom the execution of the law is intrusted.

If it be asked what is the remedy, surely this must be the answer: First, give us wholesome and impartial laws; second, give us the best and best-qualified men to execute those laws; third, let every citizen proffer his services to help these men in carrying out these laws; fourth, let our pulpits and press unite in no uncertain sound against all lawlessness and all violators of law.

It hardly seems necessary to prophesy that unless this is done we shall soon reap according to our sowing. This done, crime will decrease everywhere, glorious peace will take the place of mob violence and anarchy and every innocent man can feel secure in his home or elsewhere in every part of our heaven-favored land.

Down in Memphis.

Special from Memphis. Tenn.

BEHIND THE SCENE.—Our first stop was at a dive on Monroe street. We stood awhile looking at the constant train of humanity going earnestly to and fro. Hearing sounds of music coming from within, we strode silently inside. It seemed to us to be infested with all the demonic spirits of hell itself. The man behind the bar stood waiting patiently for the rush in the can business to start. Greasy, ragged and heartless women, cruel and savage men were hurling forth their damnable oaths. Going into the adjoining room which is used as a dance hall, the first thing to meet our eyes was a kind of pig-pen, which held the piano player, who thumped off a rag-time song. Women and men were going through all kinds of vulgar dances. Little girls and boys, who were, it seemed, only infants, were as hardened to this life as their older companions. In one corner of this room is a tall mirror, where these low creatures stand like a brazen lion, and see themselves go through different degrading muscular movements. Everything seems to be done by music. The walk and even the swing of the beer bucket comes under this bane. Every bird has its nest where it hatches and nestles its brood, Every bear has a hollow where it can rear its cubs. So are these places which give shelter to these beings all the day and night long—the nests of crime of every description. Here it is that murders, robbers and rapists are hatched and nestled. If a physician desires to check the spread of a disease he first destroys the germ. If we want purer cities we must close up these hell holes. While in there we noticed one fellow, who seemed to be the boss. He carried a big stick, and at one time came so near us and made such boistrous demonstrations until we almost thought our time to leave this world was at hand. Tell the ministers of God's gospel to go and wake up the city authorities as they sleep on.

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Mrs. Lula Johnson, 107 St. Paul street, delightfully entertained Rev. Greggs, of Nashville, Tenn., last Wednesday evening, Dec. 18. The guests present were Rev. Abbot, Rev. P. J. Jackson, of this city, Rev. Murphy, of Mississippi, Dr. Fannie Kneeland and Miss I. Johnson, of Alabama.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Brooks gave a grand paper reception of their second anniversary Friday evening, Dec. 20, 1901, at their residence, No. 2 Belmont Place. Those present were wrapped in a scenery of artistic skill and sublime beauty. The dining room decorations were simply grand, being made up of beautiful white and yellow paper flowers. Over the lovely mahogany table hung beautiful shapes of oranges, and the flower vaces held paper christanthums almost of a natural hue. Delicious refreshments were served in four courses. The happy couple were recipients of a number of magnificent presents. Among the large number of guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, Miss Beatrice Robbinson, Mr. Ed Joiner, Dr. A. S. J. Burchett, Miss Therister Chilton and Miss Rosa Stubbs.

E. W. SADDLER.

CHICAGO LOCAL NOTES.

The charity ball given by the Don't Worry Circle, last Monday evening, at Arlington Hall, 31st street and Indiana avenue, was a success in every respect. The ball was given for the benefit of the Odd Fellows' Temple, and a handsome sum was realized. The Don't Worry Circle is composed of members of Mt. Maria Household of Ruth. Mrs. C. R. Johnson is the president and Mrs. Lula Lee is secretary. Prof Arment's orchestra rendered sweet music on the above occasion.

William Washington, from New Orleans, La., has got used to our cold weather, and has concluded to spend the winter here. The only thing he regrets is he didn't know that the lake wind would blow off a man's moustache. Mr. Washington is a very bright young man.

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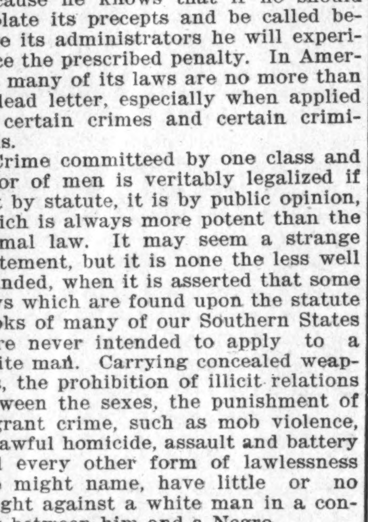

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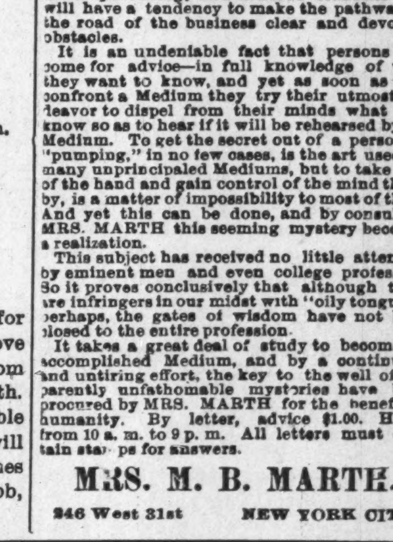

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..CITY NOTES..

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Burton spent Sunday in Seymour, Ind.

Mr. Gilbert Teeters of Chicago sent the holidays with relatives in this city.

Mrs. D. D. Hunter is spending a few days with her relatives and friends in Frankfort, Ky.

Mr. Ben Murray and mother of Terre Haute, Ind., spent the holidays in this city the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G Moore spent a part of the holidays at Lebanon, returned Saturday and report a pleasant time.

Prof. Joseph P. Shorter, State Agent of the Industrial Department of Wilberforce, University was in the city this week.

Miss Goldie Banks of Greencastle, Ind., is in the city visiting friends. Miss Banks leaves for the West Thursday evening.

Miss Dollie Coley has returned from an extended trip visiting her sister Miss Clora of Chicago and Mrs. Grant Coley of Glendon Park, Ill.

Wm. Poarch, formerly of Indianapolis and Miss Annie Meade were married recently at Ontario. They are now at Columbus, O., but will leave in a few days for Hot Springs, Ark.

The Stewardesses of Allen Chapel in company with Rev. Hurley called on Bishop Grant Monday night week and present him with a beautiful arm chair.

Mr. W. Clarence Jordon, principal of the Bardstown school, Bardstown, Ky., is in the city taking vacation. He is also attending the bedside of a very sick brother, Mr. Elliott Jordan, at the home of their aunt, Mrs. John Jones, 614 Ogden street.

A Grill Room has been attached to the Oakwood bar at 214 Indiana Ave., under the management of Al Fields and George Saunders. A special feature will be a Business Men's lunch from 11 a. m., to 3 p. m., and short orders will be served at all hours. Mr. Fields is a well known young man, having been connected with Harry Walkers' Washington street Sample Room for a number of years. Of course Clark Burton will meet you in front with a shake and a smile.

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CHICAGO NEWS

Budget of Items From the Windy City of Interest to the Readers of The Freeman.

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

Mr. E. J. Bryant, a student in Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., died in that city recently. Mr. Bryant was well known in Chicago owing to the fact that he spent his summer vacations in this city. He was a graduate of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. A. M. Duke, of 3246 Dearborn street, spent Xmas day with her mother, Mrs. S. Miller, and her sister, Mrs. George Duncan, 5220 Lake avenue.

The Gate Ajar Temple No. 35, S. M. T., held its Fourth Anniversary at U. B. F. hall Eighteenth and State streets, on last Monday evening. The officers of the above temple are: Mrs. Sarah Stratton, princess; Mrs. Alice Duke, vice-princess; Mrs. M. Mayo, secretary; Mrs. Ida Porter, treasurer. The anniversary was well attended and was quite a success. Mrs. Edmonia Watkins, of Cairo, Ill., Grand State Princess, was the guest of honor.

William Connor is still seriously ill at 3243 Dearborn street.

The Twentieth Century Literary Whist club, of which John H. King is president, meets once every two weeks.

The Royal Benefit League will meet at the K. of P. hall, 2821 State street, the 7th inst. All members are cordially invited to attend and inspect their new hall.

J. T. Braxton, of 621 Fifty-fourth Place, entertained twenty four members of the Odd Fellows' building committee at his residence Christmas eve. The affair was strictly a stag party, and the boys enjoyed themselves until the wee hours of Christmas morning. Mr. Braxton had spared no pains in making all necessary arrangements to give the guests a good time. Dainty and toothsome refreshments were served, a la mode, with a little apollinaries on the side. Maj. John C. Buckner acted as toastmaster, and kept the boys in a jolly mood with his catchy introductions. The following gentlemen responded to toasts: R. W. Lacy, J. Gray Lucas, Oscar De Priest, A. J. Bowman, Geo. Johnson, (of the North side), J. W. Camp, P. W. Johnson, H. Artist, A. Jackson, B. Cooper, W. McAlister and others. The party came to a happy ending by all the guests rising and singing, "God be with us 'till we meet again."

The Banquet Whist club held its Xmas meeting at the residence of Mrs. P. Simms. The club was well attended and five new members were accepted. Mrs. Harsh Clinton, the efficient president, presided. Mrs. Melcenia Burrows acted as secretary. Mrs. Hansborough were elected vice-president. Music and dancing was the order of the evening, which lasted long after midnight. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clinton, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Mansborough, Mr. and Mrs. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. Kohert, Mrs. Venable, Miss J. Rolett. Mrs. Hummins, and Messrs. Jordan, Ball, Robinson, Jackson, Scott, Johnson, Russell and Burngarten. Mrs. Simms, the hostess, served an elegant banquet as follows: Turkey and cranberry sauce, salad, celery, ice cream, cake, nuts, port wine, fruit and black coffee.

Samuel Townsend, a well known waiter of Rockford and Chicago, died in this city recently. Everyone loved Sam and always enjoyed his game of hot air. Sam was at one time a jockey and what he did not know about a horse was not worth knowing. At the time of his death he was door man at the Great Northern.

W. H. Presley, head waiter at Seavers cafe and lunch room, of this city, through the kindness of the proprietor, gave all the waiters under him a fine Xmas dinner. A long table was arranged in one of the dining rooms where all the waiters sat down together and ate a dinner fit for a king. The waiters turned the tables on Mr. Presley by presenting him a very fine silk hat. J. A. Emery made the presentation speech, after which they all drank to each other's health.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

On last week there was formed at above named church a club known as "$1,000 Club." It is supposed to have at the end of each year $1,000, to be given by each member donating $1.00, and the club is to have a membership of 1,000; Mrs. Fannie Emanuel organizer and president, 6338 Rhodes ave. The club has already a membership of 23.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the St. Thomas Episcopal Church has made an addition to their circle by a Battenberg class; Mrs. Ward, teacher of class.

St. Thomas church will have confirmation class January 20 at church. Mrs. Warner, 5123 Armour ave., is one among the many that will be confirmed.

The young Rev. Wallace of the West Side Episcopal Mission was of much assistance to Father Lealted in service Sunday, December 22.

Christmas services were held Christmas Eve, beginning at midnight, at St. Thomas Episcopal church.

A Christmas sermon was delivered by the young Rev. Wallace at 10 a. m.

There was a beautiful Christmas tree festival Monday evening, Dec. 30.

NORTH SIDE NOTES.

Master James Henry Bradford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bradford, 206 Wells street, is recovering from a serious spell of sickness, which he has been afflicted with for some time. The doctors performed a very painful, but successful operation, and succeeded in removing a large amount of surplus fluid from around his heart, which had caused the doctors much anxiety. Little Miss Rubie Williams will be so glad when her little playmate recovers.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. John Walls, 239 Chicago ave., as well as The Freeman, extend their heartfelt sympathy in the hour of their bereavement over the loss of their infant son, whose little soul took its flight from this sinful world Saturday, Dec. 21, to the celestial shores of the great beyond, there to await the arrival of papa and mama on that happy day, and there will be no more parting there.

Burl Wilkins is quite a society swell, and is known as the North Side Fashion Plate. A certain North Side young lady just thinks that Burl is the only pebble on the beach.

J. H. McGhee is still dodging ice cream parlors and soda water fountains. Mr. McGhee says that a burnt child dreds fire.

Rev. J. H. Green of 128 Sligel street, is still a very sick man, but his many friends have great hopes of his complete recovery.

The Woman's North Side Club, of which Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett is the president, received on New Years' day at the residence of Mrs. K. Johnson, 464 N. Clark street. The reception was held between 2 and 5 p. m. Miss N. Hansen is the secretary of the above club.

A certain well-known North Sider came near putting out one of his eyes recently while eating a sandwich with mustard. How such an accident could occur we are unable to say unless the young man was very hungry, and while eating rapidly, jabbed the sandwich in his eye instead of his mouth.

The Wayman A. M. E. Sunday-school gave a Christmas tree on Christmas Eve night. A very interesting musical program was rendered, the feature of which was a duet by Masters Alfred and Willie Jackson, five and six years old respectively, and a recitation by little Miss Grace Edwards. The Christmas tree was heavily laden with presents for all the Sunday-school scholars and others who frequent the Wayman. Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. S. E. Alexander conducted the distributing of the many presents.

The crowning event of the North Side society during yuletide, occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cook, of 173 Wells street, last Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cook had carefully laid plans and conspired with a few others to give a surprise party in honor of Miss Emma Williams, who left for Richmond, Va., on the 29th to accept a position as stenographer with the True Reformers' bank, she being a member of the Grand United Order of True Reformers. Mr. and Mrs. Cook had spared no pains to make the surprise complete in every particular, and how well they succeeded can be attested by those who were present. Through a successful ruse, Miss Williams had been decoyed to the residence of Mrs. Cook, looking as innocent as a lamb. When ushered into the spacious double parlors to the tune of sweet music, Miss Williams found herself face to face with hosts of her North Side friends, who greeted her with a hearty cheer and someone over in the corner with a sonorous voice was cruel enough to yell "surprise party!" It is needless to say that Miss Williams was dumfounded and temporarily embarrased, but this situation, like a "Mid-summer Night's Dream," soon banished, and Miss Williams, in her usual happy vein, joined her friends in a hearty laugh, and everyone proceeded to enjoy themselves until the small hours of the morning. At 11:30 p. m., Mrs. Cook, the hostess, sprung another surprise by ushering the guests into the dining room where an artistically decorated table had been set, and the following menu served: Bisque of oyster, amontillado sherry, club house sandwiches, salade de celery, Virginia reel wafers, claret cup a la Cook, ice cream a la Williams, old port, and cafe noir. Among the many who participated were: Mr. and Mrs. A. Daniels, Mrs. Florence Johnson, Misses M. Hansen, H. Overstreet, S. Harding, Hattie Dean, E. McChristian, Messrs. George Boyer, B. Wilkins, J. B. Streets, C. Hughes of the "Monitor," Dr. Howard and J. H. McGhee. Miss Williams sat at the head of the table, and in response to several requests, made a neat little speech in which she assured her friends that their high esteem was reciprocated. Messrs. J. P. Robinson, Dr. Howard and W. Forrest Cozart, responded.

W. D. Blackburn, a member of the 22d Ward Afro-American Club and the North Side Sunday Club, died in the hospital Dec. 27 with neuralgia of the heart and other complications. Mr. Blackburn resided at 71 Galt Court, and leaves a wife and two children to mourn their loss.

Rev. J. H. Green of 128 Sigel street is still a very sick man.

Robert Bell, of 568 Wieland street, has been elected president of the North Side Sunday Club. Mr. Bell is a very efficient young man and is employed as clerk in the postoffice. J. R. Butler was elected secretary and Mrs. L. Duckett treasurer.

George Ducker, who has been recuperating his health at Excelsior Springs, returned home last week much improved.

Olivet Sunday-school was attended by 502 scholars. Thirty minutes of the session was devoted to prayer and praise meeting. H. T. Elby, the superintendent, presented each teacher a package of new year remembrances, who reciprocated by presenting a token of Christmas joys. At 11 a. m. Rev. J. F. Thomas, the pastor, delivered an excellent discourse. The B. Y. P. Union held its session. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—George Thornton.
Vice-president—James Heywood.
Secretary—Mrs. F. Wilson.
Treasurer—Amos Meredith.
Chorister—R. Williams.
Assistants—Miss Lizzie Ransom and Ada Morton.
Organist—Rosetta Coleman.
Librarians—F. Taylor and Mr. Eaton.

At 8 p. m. Rev. Wm. Gray, of Butler Mission, delivered an excellent discourse. Theme—"Things that should have been done and were not." Ref. Luke xiii chap. 8th verse, "Let it alone this year."

Tuesday evening, Dec. 24, Olivet school entertained with a Christmas festival. The children were made happy by the distribution of presents, candies and good things. Mother's Union presented Christmas cheer, and a large number of baskets of food were distributed to the distressed.

Wednesday evening Miss Esther Harris' Sunday School class entertained with a Christmas concert and mock wedding. The program was well rendered. Much credit is due all participants who so nobly crowned the efforts with success.

Friday evening the prayer meeting was well attended.

You are respectfully and cordially invited to attend our services.

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Paducah Items.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—Mr. J. J. Jones the furniture man Third and Court, presented Mr. Mitchinson of Washington street a valuable centre table upon his birth day. Mr. Geo. Brown of Alisonia, Tenn., is the guest of his son Mr. J. W. Brown of Plunkett Hill. Mrs. Bonds of Plunkett Hill is on the sick list. Mr. Dan White of Bush's Mines Illionis has "come home to die," well Dan, she's still in town. Mrs. Emma Miles of 7th street is very sick. Miss Georgia Burks has returned to Graves to take charge of her school. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Porter have departed for Evansville the 31st their future home. The public request that Ed Price the popular minstrel man repeat his "Ragland Coat" minstrels. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. White of Cartersville, Ill., are spending the holidays with their mother Mrs. Lee of 7th street. Richard Montgomery and Jewell Maple the two popular Palmer House waiters will shortly give a waiters reception. Prof. Frank Jones orchestra will render music upon this august occasion. Mr. Louis Grogan a prominent farmer of Metropolis, Ill., is visiting his daughter Mrs. Fannie Cherry, 1033 Clark street. Mrs. Mary Baker of Washington street is able to be out again. Mrs. Addie Mae Whohl after a week's sojourn in Lexington, Tenn., with relatives is home again. It is understood that two enterprising young men in the city will shortly organize a Novelty Co. The style of the firm will be "The H. B. Thomas Novelty Co." Mr. Hurbert Thomas of Washington street will be at the head of the firm. "Bert," I told you that Mayfield fellow was the "proper card" see! Go away back and sit down Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Thomas departed for Memphis the 29th their future home. Mr. Lewis Walker of Washington street is upon the sick list. Miss Myrtle Cherry of Clark street left for Hot Springs, Ark., the 24th, where on the 26th she was married to Mr. Martin Dickie of Brownsville, Tenn. Don't fail to read The Freeman on sale every Saturday at Mr. Geo. Marshall's Shaving Parlor 226 Court street. Mr. Pleas Wiley has moved his Grocery to 10th and Husbonds street. Little Mamie the daughter of Mrs. Ben Grundy is much improved. Gus, the gang admired your costume Christmas Eve night. They said; they never saw any thing like it since. Get The Freeman at Nathan Bennett's saloon. Geo., North 9th street always go to the door when ever the St. Louis train "blows" I wonder if North 9th street is aware that a young lady residing near the long tressel between Brooklyn and Metropolis waits patiently for a lantern to appear upon the platform of the passing train, every other night. Prof. Jones orchestra filled a very important engagement in the city of Golconda, Ill., the 26th. The Masonic entertainment at the hall Thursday night was a success. Prof. Jno. Hillman's orchestra rendering music. Prof. Hillmans will shortly make two additions to his orchestra a slide trombone and trap drums.

Crawfordsville News.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Special.—The colored people of this thriving little city are among the most progressive in the state. 85 per cent. of them own their homes, a condition of affairs which does not exist in any city of its size in Indiana. Mr. T L. Davis, Miss Blanche Patterson, and Miss Eva Johnson, stand among the best scholars in our High School, which is composed of both white and colored students. They will be graduated in the class of 1902. Rev. D. M. Turner spent Saturday Dec. 21, in Indianapolis. The many friends of Mrs. Anna Hawkins, will regret much to learn of her death, which occurred Dec. 20, and extend their sympathy to the family. She enjoyed the respect and esteem of the entire community. The A. M. E. church kept open doors New Year's day, under the able management of the Davis Bros Mr. Nat Davis, the old reliable head cook at the Crawfordsville Hotel prepared an excellent bill of fare; and at night a grand concert was had, to the delight of a large audience. Miss Eva Johnson spent the holidays in Danville. There was a "Mortgage Burning" at the Second Baptist church on Sunday last. Rev. D. M. Turner and his energetic congregation deserve great credit for their successful labors $176 were raised at their recent rally—the largest amount ever raised at one time by any church in the city. Miss Blanche Patterson spent the holidays in Indianapolis. Mr. Chas Rodgers and Miss Maud Hays were united in marriage, Dec. 24, Rev. M. V. Sanders officiated. They have the best wishes of their many friends. Mr. John Harlan, formerly of this city, but at present of Danville, Ill., spent the holidays here visiting friends. The Martha Chapter, Eastern Star, held a public installation of officers at the A. M E church, Dec. 27, and had their annual sermon at the Second Baptist church Dec 29. Miss Minnie Hale spent the holidays in Terre Haute.

The Freeman is under obligations to William H. Brown, general transfer, of Louisville, Ky., for a beautiful calendar.

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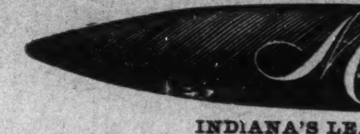

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THE MARKET

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NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Cotton quiet. Sales, 8,000 bales. Ordinary, 6⅝c; good ordinary, 7½c; low middling, 7 11-16c; middling, 8 1-16c; good middling, 8 5-16c; middling fair, 8¾c. Receipts, 26,496 bales; stock, 330,200 bales.

New York, Dec. 26—Cotton—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8½c; middling gulf, 8¾c. Sales, 1,146 bales.

New Orleans, Dec 30—Cotton quiet. Sales, 3,400 bales. Ordinary, 6 9-16c; good ordinary, 7 1-16c; low middling, 7⅝c; middling, 8c; good middling, 8¼c; middling fair, 8 11-16c. Receipts, 12,645 bales; stock, 342,835 bales.

New York, Dec. 30.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet 1-16c lower; middling uplands, 8 7-16c; middling gulf, 8 11-15c. Sales, 2,610 bales.

New Orleans, Dec. 31.—Cotton quiet and steady. Sales, 3,400 bales; ordinary, 6 9-16c; good ordinary, 7 1-16c; low middling, 7⅝c; middling, 8c; good middling, 8¼c; middling fair, 8 11-16c. Receipts, 22,291 bales; stock, 339,182 bales.

New York, Dec. 31.—Cotton closed steady; middling uplands, 8 7-16c; middling gulf, 8 11-16c; sales, 6,115 bales.

Mineral City News.

Eaton Rapids, Mich., Special.—"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year." Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walker the able cooks at the New Anderson are spending their vacation at Grand Rapids, Mich. Mr. Orren Fowler of South Bend, Ind., is with his neice during the holidays. The colored barbers closed their barber shops from 12 m. to 6 p. m. Mr. L R Davis will spend the night, calling at a dance. Mr. L. R. Davis would like to correspond with a gentelman; one who has an idea of buying out a two or three chair barber shop. The snow-plows were out early this morning. The No Stocking Club of young Misses made several gifts to poor little children of the city.

Elyria Items.

Elyria, O., Special—Mrs. Ella Garner has returned home after a three weeks visit among friends in Detroit, Ann Arbor and Saline, Mich. Mrs. Bud Brown is suffering with Tonsilitis. The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dill is very sick. Mr. Burt Brown and family of Fostoria have located in our city. Mr. E A Harvey of San Antonio, Texas, who has been for six years employed by the Ayers Asphalt Co., is in the city and will remain until May, probably longer as he has fallen in love with the North. Mrs. Rosa Ward and daughter of Lorain were in the city Xmas. day the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Meredith. Mr. and Mrs William Smith and family spent the Xmas. with parents in Cleveland. Miss Viola Offet is visiting friends in Lorain this week. Mrs. P. B Robinson of 232 E Ave., is suffering with Neuralgia. Miss Maud M. Donnell is spending the holidays with her relatives. Mr. John Jones of the South Side is remodelling his home.

News Notes.

Carrollton, Mo., Special.—Lincoln School had quite an interesting program at Armour Hall Friday night. After a three week visit we are glad to know that Miss Maud Triggers is at home. Our young men should learn to respect the churches and not have to be informed that they are in front of these places. Miss Mattie Stephenson is visiting her mother and father.

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